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Comments: I'm certain you recognize and understand the imperative of preserving forests: the reasons are many and diverse. All of them are critical for the continued existence of the biosphere as we know it.

Having been a backpacker since 1969, I want to bring another dimension of forest preservation to your attention: overuse, overcrowding and damage to the environment by "loving it to death." More forests, better access control and more crowd control will help, too.

Sincerely,

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