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Comments: Thank you for putting the effort to redevelop the Cache Creek area, a place that I spend a lot of time. There is a significant need for rethinking certain aspects of the area and a need for leaving much of it in its current state. I have reviewed the proposal, and I do support many of the changes, there are some that I understand the motivation but I disagree with the execution.

I largely agree with improving the restrooms, improving the parking lot drainage, and restricting motor vehicle access.

I disagree with relocating the access to Hagen trail. There is little benefit to moving the access to Hagen, and doing so would require destroying another natural part of Cache. We don't need more development in the area, and the loss of trees for a less desirable, steeper start of the trail is just a bad management decision. Relocating the trail access to a more congested area sounds like a great way to increase instead of reduce conflicts.

I disagree with adding a staffed kiosk. This is a stretch that there would be funds for manning such a building, and I don't see much of a need or it fitting into the type of experience most people are seeking.

I disagree with the accommodation with parking in general, but trailer traffic should definitely be discouraged. Heavier trailer traffic causes the damage of hundreds of smaller vehicles. Heavier, larger vehicles are a significant obstruction and danger to other road users. Trailers take up the space of several vehicles, and we should be reducing the space given to vehicles, not accommodating vehicles that are taking up absurd amounts of public space.

On that note, we shouldn't be giving away limited space to vehicles, and at the minimum we should be charging them for their need to store their personal possession (vehicle) on public land. All vehicles should be charged a fee to park in Cache Creek. Vehicle traffic endangers wildlife, endangers on road human traffic, endangers pets, pollutes the water, pollutes the air, and is largely incompatible to the immersive outdoor experience. If we were to add a kiosk, it should be to collect money from motor vehicles during peak times, but we should at the very least have a self pay kiosk and someone who tickets motorists who disobey the charge. In addition to discouraging the night time parking, we should restrict the daytime parking on regular intervals to take some of the vehicle stress off of the residents of Cache Creek drive and the human traffic accessing Cache Creek.

In addition to discouraging vehicle traffic on Cache Creek road, the BTRNF should make human traffic a more desirable method of accessing Cache Creek. Many people load up their bikes/skis/dogs in their car when accessing our public lands even for short distances. It is unfortunate that our Federal lands do a poor job of protecting our natural lands by failing to provide proper infrastructure for human travel. The access road would be more desirable for human travel if we reduced motor vehicles, reduced motor vehicle speed, or provided a separated surface for human travel. Most users of the BTRNF are searching for a human travel experience as it is, so making that the chosen method of access works in everyone's benefit. Human travel is cheap/free to accommodate, doesn't waste public land space, replaces a polluting vehicle, provides the user with a sense of self reliance, is safer with fewer overall conflicts. The BTRNF should be embracing all forms of human travel.