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Comments: Please consider closing heavily used/impacted campsites on a 10 year rotation. The wilderness character of the BWCAW is degraded by large campsites that are trammeled and compacted, with little forest duff left on the ground, only dirt and mud. Large campsites tend to grow larger as people seek "cleaner" spaces at the campsite edge to pitch tents. Large campsites are too visible from the lake. Trees are damaged by compaction and trammeled root systems. There is erosion at the lakeshore canoe landings at popular campsites. Closing popular sites on a 5 or 10 year rotation would give them a chance to recover. Also, consider limiting the number of people at some sites to 4, to lessen impact.