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Comments: Please keep this beautiful land open and available for public use. My family, my friends and myself personally come here every year to visit, hike, and camp. My eldest daughter, whi lives in SD, and their entire family spend about a total of 5 weeks camping here. Coming here has brought us and kept us close to not only the land and nature but to one another... it has not only helped us build a stronger family bond with one another but added beautiful memories into our lives that can never be broken. These lands are also where my people came from and where we still come back to. This year we introduced 6 more members of our camping crew to this area and they fell in love with it just as we did, now they are in planning talks of returning again each year.... my other daughter who works at a school here in Minnesota recommended this area to several of her co-workers to visit and camp which they did after seeing my daughters photos of our camping trip and have encouraged others to do so for themselves in the future. I hope you can see that this area means so much... to so many of us... and that makes it priceless. I pray that my grandchildren who are enjoying and learning great life lessons with each trip here will be able to return here to do the same with their grandchildren in this same location...