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Comments: I do think managing these drainages is needed.

I do not want to see paid parking at spruce. I think this pay to play type of structure doesn't benifit the greater good of forest service goers. Is there a different way we can expand on parking but not charge and have a reservation system?

I also think adding a parking lot to the mccoulgh gulch road should be fairly easy. If it's full, turn around and come a different time. Why could we not do this system? The local individual would know when they should go and tourists could easily pivot to another option.

Reguarding the wheeler trail reroute. I'd like to see the section from peak 9 FSR to Francies remain untouched. It drains just fine, its raw and embodys the history of the trail. A reroute would not benefit anyone, that section is used mostly by bikers, and adding a bunch of flat switchbacks, and ripping up more alpine, doesn't have any positive effects.

I would like to see other options for the paid parking lots - we shouldn't have to pay to get out and hike/bike/recreate. A shuttle option is great if you want to guarantee access to the trail. It isn't nearly as practical for local residents, escpecially blue river residents.