

Main photo: Noonmark and The Range from Round Mountain. Photo by Dave Gibson Inset Photo: Crowded conditions along Rt. 73, High Peaks Wilderness Region. Photo by Ken Rimany

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation's foremost and legally required goal must be the protection of the wilderness resource. That resource is fragile. We are not making more of it.

This is one shared, stressed ecosystem. In 2023 that ecosystem needs more forest rangers, better outreach and education, public safety, patience, restraint, and a limited entry or permit reservation system.

Why? In order to preserve the High Peaks Wilderness and the wilderness experience as a visitor.

So, another big thank you to the Adirondack Mountain Reserve/Ausable Club, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Town of Keene and other collaborators for continuing a reservation system at the AMR's St. Hubert's trailheads this summer.

This wilderness resource is limited, so we all must fairly manage our daily use of it from this location. For reservation information, go to hikeamr.org.

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