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Landowner immunity for recreation in Oregon is absolutely critical to equitable access, for both Oregon citizens as well as the tourism visitors that come each year. The landownership spread of recreational areas varies greatly, from various levels of government (Federal, State, County, City) to private landowners, and landowners must understand their assumed risk in allowing recreation access. This is not an excuse for negligence in the design of trails, features, risk exposure, etc - these things must still be kept to the correct standards - but the disallowing access in the name of legal risk makes it such that recreation safety is not even up for discussion.