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I took the survey. Thanks for the post.

Since I live in SE PA, it seems to me that most of the smaller SF land that I visit is not managed as well as other states that I have been to. I am sure it is fine for hunting and fishing opportunities, but I have seen SF land in MD, MT and OR that have better rustic camping opportunities along streams/rivers within the SF boundaries. Most of these were well maintained and had some amenities such as primitive bathrooms and potable water access. They were spaced far enough apart from one another that you didn't feel like you were in a private campground. They usually charged a minimal fee of \$5 per site per night. I am not too familiar with the larger SF areas of NC and NW PA. Do these forests have these type of camping areas along streams?

In particular and closer to home I am thinking of Savage River SF in MD. They have very nice camping sites that are accessed by roads, not just back country trails and are along the Savage River and many smaller brookie streams. They are cheap and clean and seemingly well managed.

The SF's in my areas are basically like SGL's. Just open forested areas with little management.