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Comments: I am dismayed to see that Bridal Veil Creek adjacent to Bridal Veil Falls was not judged to be worthy of inclusion in the Wild and Scenic Rivers designation. I understand that there is some dispute over whether Bridal Veil Falls is within or outside the boundary of the National Forest, and that issue needs to be resolved with specific documentation. However, even if we were to conclude for the sake of argument that Bridal Veil Falls is outside of the forest by a few feet or yards, your analyst already concluded that the scenic values associated with this waterfall are quite remarkable. I applaud this conclusion, as Bridal Veil Falls is one of the most iconic cascades in our entire state. Ignoring the technicalities of the boundary for the moment, it seems a bit preposterous to me to state that the waterfall is remarkable, yet the very stream a few feet back from the precipice over which the water flows does not qualify for the same designation. Does not Bridal Veil Creek deserve the same designation and protection to preserve its waterfall just a few feet away? Without protection of this stream as a free flowing water feature, the waterfall could become . . . searching for the correct words . . . a cliff. Ingram Creek nearby with its own magnificent waterfall also seems to have been excluded similarly from designation without explanation provided, and hoping this questionable exclusion will be remedied as well. Thank you for your diligence and for hearing my comments.