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Comments: Hi,

I am commenting on the draft proposed plan. I am a landowner in the "North Fork," several miles north of Polebridge. Over the years, we have watched the North Fork section from the border down to Polebridge explode in popularity. It is apparent this overuse needs to be managed. Myself and my husband are in strong support of establishing a permit system as proposed in the management plan. However, we also ask that the plan make accommodations for locals who frequently and spontaneously jump on their raft and/or kayaks to use the River. I believe there are accommodations made for locals on other permitted rivers, like the Smith in Montana. The Smith locals are still subject to the permit system of course but they receive permits more easily and often. We think this is a good compromise between the very few of us who live in the North Fork and those of us who do not but enjoy the most beautiful section of the River. I look forward to seeing how this progresses. I thank you for your work on this as I believe it is a crucial time to protect the River's health.