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Comments: I have the following suggestions and comments for the Flathead Wild and Scenic River

Comprehensive River Management Plan.

A. Fishing.

- 1. Strict catch and release needs to be enforced. This means barbless hooks. People are spinning fishing with barbed treble hooks, Killing fish, keeping fish, and targeting bull trout with giant lures (See photo of a bull trout lure recently found in the river).
- 2. The only way to do this is fly fishing only, Barb Louis hooks only to prevent killing fish, one hook only, and no live bait.
- B. Rafting and camping.
- 1. Permits may be necessary. Before that, stop raft companies, control access and exit parking, camp in designated areas only that have bathroom facilities (nobody is carrying out human waste leaving lots of white toilet paper river flowers), And allow fires in designated areas only with no fires if there is a burn ban.
- 2. What are the rights of property owners in the north fork? What are the restrictions on property owners with River access?