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Comments: I do not support limiting public access to the North Fork and South Fork of the Flathead. Period. What is the rationale? From what I read, the common denominator is people and some of them feel crowded. If some people feel crowded, then all people feel the same way. Is that what we're going with? Is the level of current human use destroying or compromising the ecosystem? Is there a scientific link between the human usage and the impact on the ecosystem? There are far too many unknowns here to just impose permitting on a public resource. Frankly, we can't just impose permitting on a public resource because a few fishing guides got low holed by the general public. And 3 permits? That is unreasonable. What is this, a Missouri river breaks sheep hunt? Show me some scientific evidence before making these rivers a place for the guides to pollute the internet. We need to protect what we have for everyone to enjoy and protection does not mean limit access. Unless there is scientific evidence showing otherwise (which we will all need the opportunity to see if it is available), then I do not support limiting public access to these rivers