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Comments: To Whom it may concern:

I am writing in response to the discussion concerning the possible requirement for floaters to have a permit to use the North Fork of the Flathead river. As an owner of river-front property at Moose City we have noticed an increase in floaters over the years. At times there are as many as a dozen rafts launching at the same time from the public access at the border. And at times our private property just below there has river users trespassing to access the river. It is probable that a permit system would help with this situation.

However, as river-front owners we would like to see land-owners along the river exempt from any lottery type system. In our opinion land-owners should be granted a permit upon request as is done on the Smith River (where there is a float lottery in existence).

Thank-you for your consideration of our views.

Daniel Lilja