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Comments: I just read to my great dismay that motorized use for the Rapid River trail is being considered. I'm vehemently opposed to that plan. The Rapid River trail is probably the most beautiful trail in our area and a favorite spring hike for many, including the Moscow women's hiking group. We spend a couple of nights in Riggins every April just to hike that trail. Its scenic beauty and biodiversity of native plants is unsurpassed. To allow motorized traffic on it would be a travesty. The trail is also very narrow and right at the edge of precipitous drop-offs in some sections (particularly at the beginning), and I shudder to think of encountering dirt bikes there, which would be extremely dangerous.

I urge you not to degrade this natural treasure by allowing motorized use with its inevitable erosion, noise, and engine exhaust.