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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Draft Comprehensive River Management Plan for Piru Creek. I am a little disappointed to find that the draft plan did not identify "Recreation" as having "outstandingly remarkable values". I feel that Piru Creek offers a very good kayaking experience especially considering its easy access via roads and as such should be very high on the list of rivers to be set aside for recreational here in Southern California. I fear that the inaccurate characterizations of these values will prevent this resource from being equitably managed in relicensing agreements.

Piru Creek would be an absolute kayaking classic run if there was regular water. This relicensing effort MUST include several mandatory weekend releases to allow kayakers and river lovers the opportunity to experience this true treasure of a river. You don't have to be a geologist to appreciate the unique terrain of Piru Creek, anybody who travels this river will be in amazement of the 2500 feet deep canyon walls.

With regular release schedules established I am sure the 3 mile section below Pyramid Lake would get ample kayaking runs on it given how easy the logistics are for the put in and take out. The section of river down to Lake Piru is a dream of a kayak run and I would love to see regular scheduled release schedules for this incredible river.

thanks,

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