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Comments: Thank you for hosting the public meeting and I especially appreciate MJ Crandell taking the time to answer my questions. I greatly enjoy fishing the recreation section of the Middle Fork from the shore and, judging by the frequent interactions with other wade fishermen, I am not alone in this recreational use. We smile politely and spread out. Everyone knows that from Moccasin to West Glacier is a zoo from 10am to 3pm, so plan accordingly.

I do not appreciate that the only recreational trigger points for this section of the river are float parties. Do us shoreline anglers count for nothing? Why can't we have a sense of wildness and solitude on this beautiful river? The current User Capacity is OK and I admit that it could be increased a bit further but I sure would like some consideration for shoreline users. The river is not just for floaters!

I also feel that the new division point of Cascadilla is wrong. Jessica Swanson explained that she recommended it to define goat-related impacts. But the problem is that most of the floaters put in at Moccasin and go down. Moccasin should be the division. Everything upstream from there has less floating use and should be combined all the way to Bear Creek.

Thank you and good luck on this project