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Comments: The CRMP must align with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and the 1987 BMWRC Recreation Management Direction (RMD) to protect and enhance the river system.

Key concerns:

- Noncompliance with RMD: The South Fork (MU1) and Middle Fork (Wild) exceed social encounter and resource impact limits. Areas such as Black Bear Creek and Big Prairie show significant degradation.
- Human Waste Management: The CRMP should require all users to pack out waste, like other Western river systems.
- Permits and Limits: A lottery permit system should be implemented to reduce overuse, and commercial livery permits on the South and Middle Forks should be eliminated. Commercial user days must be drastically reduced.
- Monitoring & Capacity: The monitoring plan lacks clarity and enforcement. The capacity chart should be updated to reflect actual conditions.
- Wilderness Experience: The CRMP falsely claims visitors can expect solitude when overuse has made this impossible.
- CRMP Revision: The plan appears disconnected from actual river conditions and should be rewritten by local Forest Service staff who understand the resource damage.

As a wilderness advocate, I believe the Three Forks of the Flathead must be managed responsibly to preserve their wild character for future generations.