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Comments: The Flathead National Forest is supposed to enhance and protect all Outstanding Resource Values

(ORV's) measured against their condition at the time of establishment of the 3 Forks of the Flathead as part of the Wild and Scenic River System

The South Fork (MU1) is already out of compliance with the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex Rec Management Direction (RMD) and this is not addressed at all in the Comprehensive River Management Plan (CRMP). Specifically out of compliance are barren core (camping spot with dirt), poor range conditions (grass for grazing)

and inter-party contacts (how many people do you see)

At the very least the CRMP needs to follow the BMWC Rec Management Direction

The Forest Service needs to require all users on the South Fork (MU1) and Middle Fork (Wild) to pack out human waste

The Forest Service needs to come up with a lottery permit system for private users on the 3 Forks of the Flathead to address the significant overuse which has severely degraded the resource

The Forest Service needs to curtail all outfitter livery permits on the South Fork (MU1) and Middle Fork (Wild) The Forest Service needs to significantly limit outfitters doing float trips on the South Fork (MU1). No more than one outfitted party getting on the river per day. Outfitters should not be allowed to use pack stock support for river parties. The Forest Service needs to protect the resource

Commercial outfitting on the rest of the Middle Fork and the entire South Fork needs to be cut back by 75%. The Forest Service needs to protect the resource

The suggested monitoring plan is much too vague and needs hard numbers. Who is doing the monitoring, where are they doing it and when are they doing it. Without solid, verifiable data the Forest Service cannot protect the resource

Imput from tribal lands