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Comments: I was fortunate to packraft the South Fork of the Flathead in summer of 2021 and it was a true adventure. I hope that when considering future river management plans for the flathead rivers that the USFS considers packraft access. I support free mandatory river permits for all users and requiring river users to pack our waste and use firepans, though I hope that flexibility is given to packrafters to use more minimalist firepans that they can store in the tubes of their boats.

I would love for the USFS to share how they come to their decision once its been arrived at. I would love to know how user capacities are determined and if different requirements will in place for private boaters versus outfitters.

I hope to packraft the Bob Marshall wilderness again someday using the Flathead river systems and am eager to hear about the USFS river management plan!