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Comments: Thank you for providing an opportunity for public comments.

I feel the user numbers are too high for an enjoyable wilderness experience in the wilderness areas of the south fork and middle fork. A lottery system similar to the Smith River would allow for better monitoring of permits and camp conditions, and decrease stock over grazing from high numbers for livery service as well as outfitter/ guide services. Counting river users becomes even more difficult when the users cross forest districts unless the districts clearly communicate with each other.

I feel everyone using the river corridor should be responsible to pack out their own waste. The number of river users has increased and there is a clear danger of encountering someone else's waste while digging a hole to deposit current waste. There are waste kits like "Pact Wipes for outdoor adventures."

For monitoring more individuals with the power to write tickets are needed. Word gets out. The staff doing the monitoring should have both static observations made at strategic spots and ones made while floating.

Parking spaces and access to bathrooms should be limiting factors when considering numbers on recreational river capacities.

I support your thoughts of no vehicle parking or camping on gravel bars.

A group size of 50 is way too high for a true wilderness experience.

Thank you

Bonnie