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Comments: A couple of last comments if you will.

Try as I might I could not find a proposed capacity for the upper Middle Fork from Shafer Meadows down. I trust party size will defer to the Wilderness Party size limit as seems reasonable. I didn't see any recommendation for the amount of outfitted use beyond what it currently is . I like the notion of all parties having to get a permit to float out of there even if the number of permits is unlimited. It would be good to see the numbers for private use coming out of there and I think you should address the air outfitters that make a living using the Wilderness to take anyone who is willing to pay in and do a one way drop camp. No responsibility on their part. The shoreline boat experience threshold that was presented as 3 boats per day at Bear Creek seems unrealistic....... One group of 15 in pack rafts or small boats will could have any where from 3 to a dozen boats .

I have to study up and see what the MT DEQ standard for water quality is and how that testing and monitoring goes but the recommendation beyond that to test for e-coli every other year seems inadequate. Your proposal to stop camping on gravel bars on the lower river should help and I think that is a good move. I am still not sure about launching and picking up on gravel bars and the constant stirring up of the gravel and how good that is but I trust your ' oligists ' have looked at that .