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My name is Christopher Osborne. I am a graduate of Clemson and entrepreneur of the year for SC and I have grown up on the chattooga. I will most likely never kayak the chattooga headwaters but that should be MY decision.

I have reviewed the proposal for management of the headwaters and I find that it is unreasonable and clearly biased in favor of fishermen. Kayakers are the caretakers of the river. We're the first to notice changes and we're the first line of defense in making sure that our natural rivers are preserved. I'm sure the amount of email you've received regarding this issue has helped you realize this. Just imagine how many emails you would receive if you were building a dam.

I am a major contributor to many wilderness preservation groups and I strongly believe there is no basis for the boating limits proposed. I believe so strongly that all groups should be granted equal access that I will be donating a considerable amount of money to further the cause. Additionally, I have informed my contacts in various public offices of this injustice.

I beg you to reconsider this decision.

Sincerely,

Christopher Osborne