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I would like to comment on the recently released Upper Chattooga Environmental Assessment and proposed management plan, Alternative #4. Please review my attached comments and supporting charts.

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Discription of attached charts:
De facto ban chart.pdf Graph that shows the flows of all days with a mean flow of 1500cfs (at US 76) during the December 1st-March 1st since 01/01/2004.
Relative Use Charts.pdf Graphs that show that "Choosing to manage only boating without limiting vastly larger uses is like restraining a small dog in a china shop while there is a bull running around knocking over shelves."
EA use versus actual use under Alternative 4.pdf The EA estimates that there are 6 days per year with a mean daily flow of 450cfs at Burrells Ford. This illustrates that the user numbers since 01/01/2004 would have been significantly lower under Alternative #4, especially considering that the days will have to have a predictable mean flow of 450cfs. At the minimum, it shows that the flow and season restrictions should be adjusted to allow more boaters if a predictable mean flow is required to boat.