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As a long-time paddler and ardent environmentalist, I feel that the proposed ban is discriminates against paddlers in a completely unfair way. This is nothing more than a thinly veiled attempt to maintain the river for the private enjoyment of adjacent landowners, which is not the intent of the enabling legislation. Moreover, it sets a terrible precedent for future treatment of Wild and Scenic Rivers. What's the good of a wild and scenic river if no one can see it?

The paddlers I know are dedicated conservationists, and every trip I've been on, we leave the river a cleaner place than we found it -- not a comment that can be made about fisher-people and toobers.

Please end 30 years of unfair discrimination and open this river to recreational boating!

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