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To Whom it May Concern,

Alternative 4 (the USFS proposed preferred alternative) is acceptable, and represents a workable compromise for outdoor enthusiasts, hikers, boaters, campers and fishermen. I hope the local Forest Service representatives are simultaneously provided with the funds it will take to implement the various proposals in the alternative and enforce the regulations. One of the major criteria used in the alternative appears to be flow level, and 450 cfs (~2.5 ft at the Hwy. 28 bridge) represents a science-based critical point below which fishing is acceptable and above which boating is appropriate. The preferred alternative preserves the concept of "zoning" to accommodate the varied recreational uses that seek access to this finite wild area. I fully support Alternative #4 as described at http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/fms/forest/projects/ChattoogaDraftEA.shtml.

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