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I appreciate the opportunity to voice my opinion on the Upper Chattooga Environmental Assessment. The Upper Chattooga is a unique geological and cultural resource that is being polluted and destroyed with the stocking of non-native fish and the human impacts associated with fishing. I would support the banning of all stocking of non-native fish in the wilderness area and would welcome the introduction of low impact sports such as boating. I support Alternative 8.

kayakers have more respect for rivers, there watersheds, and the hydrology behind what makes them do what they do than any other group of people. if anything by allowing kayakers to boat the upper chattooga the river will become a cleaner place, as paddlers including myself are known for picking up trash (empty bait containers) and putting them in our boats. its beauty would certainly be seen by a wider range of people, isn't the beauty what we're trying to protect?

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