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Hi.

Please put the same kind of restrictions on anglers and hikers as you have placed on the whitewater boaters. The anglers certainly have a far greater environmental impact by wading in stream and disturbing the nesting sites of endangered native trout. Also the damage they do to the streamside ecology is appalling with their constant trampling of vegetation. They leave behind much litter and fishing line with rusty barbed hooks. They are aggressive towards other users. They condone the stocking of non-native species which compete for food and habitat with endangered native species. I think that trout fishermen have no place in this delicate environment and there numbers should be restricted with a permit system which restricts their locations to a few spots and allows no more than 1 angler per 5 miles of riparian streambank. This would prevent many negative encounters between fishermen and other users as well as going a long wat to reverse the damage that anglers are currently committing on this beautiful stream.

Sincerely,
Daniel Spencer

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