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Please protect the Upper Chattooga River by NOT opening it to boating. This is an absolutely beautiful stretch of pristine river that needs to be protected for future generations to know what a pristine river is! Having grown up in Cashiers,NC, I know this river first-hand. It can be very dangerous when the water is high (unlike the conditions now in our current drought)and our local hard-working rescue squads do not need one more dangerous area to police. I well remember how over-worked they were after the movie "Deliverance" came out and many ill-qualified people attempted these dangerous waters. So, in addition, to a conservation issue, there is also a very real safety concern. Let's leave this part of the river in its natural state! Thank you.

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