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Forest Service,
Lots of hard work and an open door for comments has invited a tough decision from you on the boating issues above the 28 Bridge. Thank you for allowing public input. I've found that throughout the project, you've been attentive to all of the "stakeholders" commenting on the upcoming decision. While I'd like to see it remain the pristine backcountry that it is, via Alternative 3, Alternative 4 seems to be a compromise between the boaters and the fishing enthusiasts that should prudently satisfy both. I'm disturbed that the comment period was extended under pressure from the boater bias and that they "want it all", all the way to the 28 Bridge. I hope you'll find no new arguments that would allow boaters to invade the most important Catch and Release waters in the Southeast! As the three miles above the 28 bridge has only recently been designated as a limited harvest region, it has gained a wide following and deserves to be nurtured as such. We fish to have a quiet and intimate experience with nature.
Thanks again for your hard work.

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