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DEAR COMMISSION-

THANK YOU FOR THE THOUGHTFUL PROCESS YOU ARE INVOLVED IN TO SATISFY THE USERS OF THIS BEAUTIFUL AREA OF THE SOUTH EASTERN UNITED STATES. YOU HAVE SHOWN BY YOUR WILLINGNESS AND CALM IN THIS STORM TO MAKE A VERY IMPORTANT DECISION THAT MAINTAINS THE CHARACTER OF THIS PART OF THE CHATTOOGA RIVER FOR YEARS TO COME.

I HAVE FISHED THE RIVER SINCE I WAS A JUNIOR AT CLEMSON COLLEGE IN 1965 AND STILL DO WHEN POSSIBLE. NO ONE GROUP OF PEOPLE OWN THE RIGHTS TO EVERYTHING GOD HAS GIVEN US, BECAUSE WE CANNOT KEEP THE INTEGRITY THAT WAS THERE INITIALLY.

THERE ARE ENOUGH USABLE MILES OF THE RIVER THAT CAN BE USED BY ALL IN A COOPERATIVE MANNER. THE AREA ABOVE THE HIGHWAY 28 BRIDGE HAS BECOME INUNDATED WITH HIKERS, FISHERMEN , AND JUST PEOPLE ENJOYING THE SCENIC BEAUTY. AT SOME POINT THIS AREA WILL HAVE TO BECOME FURTHER REGULATED TO MAINTAIN ITS INTEGRITY.

THE ANSWER IS BEYOND MY SCOPE , AND WHATEVER YOUR DECISION IS , IT WILL NOT BE A POPULAR ONE TO ALL OR ANY PARTIES INVOLVED. SO I ASK THAT YOU MAKE THE BEST DECISION FOR THE WILDERNESS AREA AND RIVER THAT WILL HELP MAINTAIN THE BEAUTY THAT WE HAVE ENJOYED FOR ALL THESE YEARS.

AGAIN , THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL CONSIDERATION.

SINCERELY,

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