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The following comments are respectfully submitted to protest the action of the US forest service in regards to banning kayaking, canoeing and rafting of the Chattooga river.

It is my fear that the Forest Service is catering to private interests who are seeking a monopoly on a Wild and Scenic public river. The resultant actions of the Forest Service is to strip basic protections from Wild and Scenic Rivers.

It is my contention that:

- The public should have the right to float on public Wild and Scenic Rivers regardless of who owns the land along the river.
- All aspects of the "Outstanding Remarkable Values" of Wild and Scenic Rivers should be protected on the entire river, not just in some areas.
- The proposed **management action on the Chattooga will influence the management of rivers across the country** and would create a selfishly motivated precedent that would negatively impact rivers, managers, and recreationists.

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