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Please allow recreational paddlers the use of this valuable river. Those of us that have had the opportunity to paddle that section hold it in high regard and wish to maintain its availablity. Environmentally we are well aware of the necessity of keeping this part of the Chattooga and all other parts clean and free from damage. I hope you will reconsider the ban on this section. It belongs to the people. If it is ok for hikers, campers et al, it should also be available to paddlers. We have the LEAST impact. Those who defile it or violate the law should be prosecuted. Most of us have great respect for our natural resourses and should be allowed to enjoy them without restrictions. Thanks. Taylor Watson, Tennessee Valley Canoe Club, Chattanooga, TN.