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I would like to start by thanking the FS planners for their hard work and professional conduct through this very important and complicated process. It is imperative that fair, objective, unbiased, and accurate data gathering and analysis be consistent throughout. It is my feeling that the Forest Service planners have served the public well. Thanks !

As a backcounty angler, hiker, and nature photographer, I would prefer that the existing management plan, excluding boating above Hwy 28 bridge, remain in effect.

The FS Alternative #4, outlined in the pre-decisional EA, is an acceptable management alternative. The integrity of the ORV's for the Upper Chattooga will remain intact and the various users will enjoy their backcountry experience with minimal disturbance.

Just a few points that I hope you have, (or will) consider.
1) Handicapped access at Burrells Ford bridge.
2) Consistency of enforcement of new regulations by the three National Forests involved.
3) System for accurate and enforceable boater registration

Thank You for involving all affected and interested users of this jewel of the southeast.

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