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I have fished the Madison River eleven summers since 1999. The past three years, I have stayed in Madison Valley the entire month of July, fishing 20+ angler days. It is wonderful fishing, but these fish are more and more stressed. Most large fish show jaw/lip damage from being repeatedly caught. I am catching fewer small fish. I am beginning to see occasional dead trout with broken jaws from spin fishing (how can treble hooks be allowed on this stretch of river?). I think I have begun to see some didymo on rocks. I see more boats in the wade only section, both guides and private boats. The number of boats below Lyons Bridge is a joke during the month of July. I see many anglers landing fish without nets and ignorant or lazy about good fish handling etiquette. The river needs more active management. It needs angler education about fish handling etiquette. Treble hooks must be banned.

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I have been fishing Montana rivers for over 20 years and own a place in Big Timber. During those years I have seen the increase in fly-fishing to the point I am worried about all the streams. I totally agree with this idea. Donald Richey DVM

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Have camped on Madison River. It is a beautiful place. Please save it.

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I grew up on that river hunting and fishing keep it natural

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I moved to Bozeman in 1975 as a young woman who enjoyed fishing the Madison, Jefferson and Gallatin long before they were "discovered". Now I live in the Flathead and see the same issues on the three forks of the Flathead. FWP needs to get serious about doing something in regards to the extremely heavy use by anglers, boaters, SUPers, etc. These rivers can not sustain the usage they are currently experiencing. As someone who enjoyed spending time on the Madison, the Blackfoot or the North Fork when you didn't see another boater or angler during an entire day's float I hate to see the loss of freedom to boat wherever and whenever one wants to. But the time has come or irreparable damage will occur.

Thanks for your concerns and efforts to preserve these resources for my children and my grandchildren because that is what this is all about.

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It's beautiful and need to stay that way ! An amazing place and river for Montana

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I understand controlling the anglers , i do believe that if people are going to be raft fishing this should be controled , the general public has been using the madison for years to tube float , which in my eye,s doea not hurt a thing until people get careless with their can,s ,bottles ,and garbage. Which is not safe for the fish as well . I know there can be a plan put in place so everyone can enjoy it . Start charging guides , start charging people who want to tube a fair price , example 2.00 dollars for parking day use , 1.00 dollars for tube floaters , guides and anglera should also get a fee , this money could be used for the madison and to help control it. I know as a life long resident of montana im tired of places getting shut down to the public . Find a solution dont close it down

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I've been guiding in the Great Lakes states for nearly 25 years. The sense of entitlement associated with many fly guides is an embarrassment. I've acted as a good steward and watchdog for my home water for two decades. Some of the guides and outfitters on the Madison sound like selfish pimps. Get over yourselves...you're not that important.

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I enjoyed fishing the Madison for 50 years. You used to see five to ten boats a day. Now there is a boat every 50 yards. It has turned into a money machine for guides and outfitters. It is time to do what is best for the Madison and other streams, not what is best for the outfitters.
Sincerely, Tim Harris

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Lots more anglers in the last 10 years threatens a healthy fishery. As much as I hate additional fishing regs, something has to be done to relieve the pressure. Please support action by FWP.

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That problems exist on the Madison is beyond dispute. FWP has already submitted a plan and FWP manager Travis Horton and FWP fisheries biologist Dave Moser have said the river may be near a tipping point and regulations are needed. Current overuse is causing both environmental and social conflict. The fish simply cannot thrive in a river that sees over 200,000 angling days per year, and people cannot enjoy the river when crowded boat and wade anglers compete to fish. Surveys show this. The problems can't be ignored. To do so would be to jeopardize the health of the fishery and compromise one of the jewels of Montana's resources.

The MRF continues to support the main ideas set forth in the FWP plan. We believe there should be a wade-only section of the river from Quake Lake to Lyons Bridge to protect wade anglers from boat conflicts and to reduce pressure on the river. People want this. Surveys have proved it. As well, the FWP plan advocates caps on use of the river, limiting stretches of the river by days to prevent overuse. How this is implemented should be left to the experts at FWP; however, we believe it needs to be done. And we sincerely hope that however it is accomplished does not result in monetizing existing permits. Finally, we hope that FWP's proposals to ban glass on the river and to keep intact the primitive area from Grey Cliffs to the confluence of the Jefferson are also considered. The MRF stands ready to support the Commission in creating such regulations.

We strongly advocate that the Commission send a plan to conserve the Madison River to public comment as soon as possible so that regulations can be implemented for 2020. We believe that further delays are unacceptable. Please conserve and protect the Madison River.

We urge you to advocate for a Madison River Recreation Plan immediately.

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