



Re: Tygart River 3.1.5.b Change

1 message

Comments, DNR <dnrcomments@wv.gov>

Fri, Jul 15, 2022 at 2:31 PM

To: Robert Layne <tygartwatershedexp@gmail.com>

Hello Mr. Layne,

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources would like to thank you for submitting your public comment for the proposed rule change to 58CSR12 – Commercial Whitewater Outfitters related to changes to whitewater sections.

Your comment in support of the changes as well as recommendations for additional changes will be recorded and filed as part of the public record. Additionally, your recommendations will also be presented to the Whitewater Commission for consideration at their next meeting.

Also, all Whitewater Commission meetings are public meetings and as such, you are welcome to attend and address the Commission. The next meeting will be held virtually on July 25th at 1pm. If you would like information on how to join the meeting, please contact Army Lucas at 304-558-2784. Thank you again for your response and your efforts to increase tourism in West Virginia. Should you have any questions please free to contact me.

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On Wed, Jul 13, 2022 at 10:35 AM Robert Layne <tygartwatershedexp@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello,

We have just recently opened a new whitewater outfitter based out of Arden, WV and were very excited to see the change to 3.1.5.c removing the section from the dam to Valley Falls. That change will open up opportunities for us to offer more affordable trips that only require one guide. However, there is one more section that I would like to change as well.

(From the covered bridge in Philippi to the bridge in Arden)

This is a lovely flatwater section for about 8 miles which towards the end of the run has three class 2 rapids before arriving at the bridge in Arden. This section would be perfect for family float trips and should only require one guide. The current requirement is two guides unless we can get 3.1.5.b changed. The cost of the extra unnecessary guide will definitely make this pleasant float trip less affordable for tourists.

The change would read as such:

3.1.5.b (From the bridge in Arden to Big Cove Run)

This section that I just listed above is the Class 3-5 section that is a very adventurous whitewater trip and is the typical put-in and take-out for the area.

Please, consider excluding (From the covered bridge in Philippi to the bridge in Arden) and changing 3.1.5.b to (From the bridge in Arden to Big Cove Run).

Best Regards,

Bob Layne

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Re: Commercial Whitewater Outfitters

1 message

Comments, DNR <dnrcomments@wv.gov>

Thu, Jul 28, 2022 at 2:16 PM

To: Paul Hart <paulofwv@gmail.com>

Good Afternoon Mr. Hart,

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources would like to thank you for submitting your public comment for the proposed rule change to 58CSR12 – Commercial Whitewater Outfitters related to changes to whitewater sections.

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On Tue, Jul 26, 2022 at 10:09 PM Paul Hart <paulofwv@gmail.com> wrote:

This is Paul Hart, owner of Cheat River Outfitters. I am writing to comment on Title 58, Series 12, Commercial Whitewater Outfitters code. I am putting in my input on section 12-3, 3.1.1. I would like to see the section from Pringle Run to Muddy Creek on the Cheat River unclassified as a whitewater zone. There is no whitewater in that section of river. That section has not been commercially used or even recreationally used as there is a low-head dam in Albright. But there is a real possibility that the dam may be removed in the near future. This may open some possibilities for fishing and recreation. It would make sense to have this section of river properly classified. My understanding is that this change would make sense to get into this revision as it may be awhile before this rule will be up for more revisions. Please consider adding this change. It could possibly make a big difference for Preston County if the dam comes out. Thanks for your consideration.

Paul Hart

Also sent from Cheat River Outfitters.

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Re: Changes to Commercial Whitewater Outfitters code 58CSR12

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Comments, DNR <dnrcomments@wv.gov>

Thu, Jul 28, 2022 at 2:18 PM

To: Cheat River Outfitters <cheatriveroutfitters@gmail.com>

Good Afternoon Cheat River Outfitters,

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On Tue, Jul 26, 2022 at 10:12 PM Cheat River Outfitters <cheatriveroutfitters@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi, Cheat River Outfitters here. We are a licensed outfitter in Preston County on the Cheat River. We are writing to comment on Title 58, Series 12, Commercial Whitewater Outfitters code. We would like to put in input on section 12-3, 3.1.1. We would like to see the section from Pringle Run to Muddy Creek on the Cheat River unclassified as a whitewater zone. There is no whitewater in that section of river. That section has not been commercially used or even recreationally used as there is a low-head dam in Albright. But there is a real possibility that the dam may be removed in the near future. This may open some possibilities for fishing and recreation. It would make sense to have this section of river properly classified. Our understanding is that this change would make sense to get into this revision as it may be a while before this rule will be up for more revisions. Please consider adding this change. It could possibly make a big difference for Preston County if the dam comes out. Thanks for your consideration.

Paul and Wendy Hart

Also sent from Paul Hart.

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Thank you for contacting us.

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