

Exhibit D*
Nantahala River Stakeholder Team
Angling and Paddling River Recreation Group
Nantahala River By-pass Section
Proposed Recreational Paddling Releases
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The following recommendations were made for paddling release periods in the Nantahala River By-pass section. The time periods are contingent upon the temperature of the spilled water as defined by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission. Releases such as these meet the needs of the paddlers and generally aren't a significant negative for the anglers.

Mid July to Mid August – 6 evening releases @ 300 cfs for 4 hours each evening

September – 2 evenings/week for 3 weeks @ 300 cfs for 4 hours each evening

September Weekend – 2 days @ 350 cfs for 7 hours each day

Communication – Add generation data (cfs) to website so that paddlers can use the USGS Gauge reading to determine whether the By-Pass has enough water for paddling during rain events

Release schedule is contingent upon water temperatures as determined by the NC Wildlife Resources Commission

Parking issues must be dealt with so that traffic along Wayah Road is not impeded and road safety is not compromised

** Exhibit D is a proposal from the recreation sub-group to the larger Nantahala Stakeholder Team and may not be the consensus recommendations of the stakeholder group at the end of the process.*