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To: Gotham, Stacy@Waterboards
Subject: Box Canyon Comments

I was asked to provide my feedback regarding the Box Canyon section on the Sacramento to you, please see below for my comments. Thank you.

This is one of the best class IV runs in the state. The scenery, quality and sustainment of the whitewater, and proximity to civilization offer a boating experience that while adventurous is also relatively safe. This has made it a staple of the class III-IV boating community for years.

The river gets run whenever it has water... depending on precipitation and lake levels, this time varies. Typically it seems to be from winter (January-ish) to Summer (June-ish). I have boated it in months between January and June personally, though I live 4 hours away otherwise I would be on it more often. However, I know that people would boat it at any month if it had water. Locals and travelers alike. Especially in the dry summer and fall months, if the river had a release, there would be a substantial boater presence at the river.

Regarding how many people run it, I couldn't provide insight on how many... but I know that all my friends that are local (as far as 1.5 hours) boat it several times a year. Those who are 3+ hours are more like every other year. I do know that last year when flow information was made available, more people began to go to the river as prior to that there was always the chance of showing up and having no flow... so predictable flows would aid greatly in increasing the use even more.

Hope that helps.

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