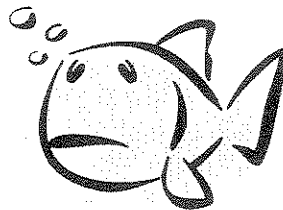
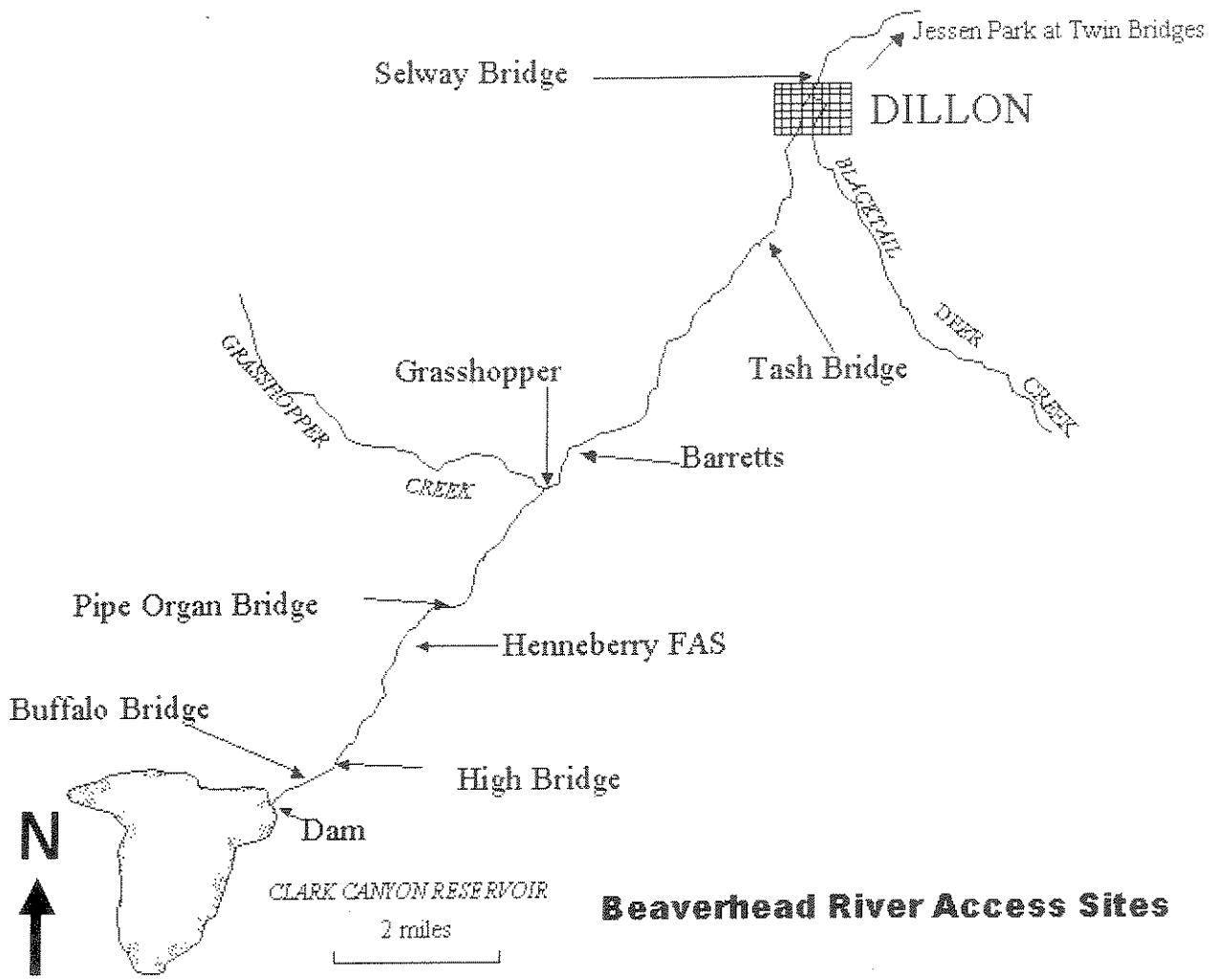


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**2002 Survey of Anglers
Concerning New Recreational Use Rules
Recently Implemented on the
Beaverhead River**





PLEASE REFER TO THIS MAP WHEN COMPLETING
THE SURVEY QUESTION ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE



Because of increased recreational conflicts, resource and property damage concerns, and increased demands upon limited public facilities, new recreational use rules were recently implemented on the Beaverhead River starting in 2001 (*from the third Saturday in May through Labor Day only*) in an effort to better provide a quality experience for river users.

1. To what extent do you think the following rules have contributed towards (or will contribute towards) providing a quality recreation experience on the Beaverhead River? (**Circle only one number for each new rule** or check the "I don't know" box if you don't know)

On a scale from 1 (no contribution) to 5 (great contribution), to what extent do you think the following rules have contributed towards (or will contribute towards) providing a quality recreation experience on the Beaverhead River?

	(No contribution)					(Great contribution)	I don't know
	1	2	3	4	5		
Clark Canyon Dam to Henneberry Fishing Access Site – each outfitter is limited to three boat launches per day	1	2	3	4	5		[]
Henneberry Fishing Access Site to Barretts Diversion – each outfitter is limited to three boat launches per day	1	2	3	4	5		[]
Barretts Diversion to Highway 91 South (Tash) Bridge – each outfitter is limited to one boat launch per day	1	2	3	4	5		[]
Highway 91 South (Tash) Bridge to Selway Bridge – closed to all float outfitting	1	2	3	4	5		[]
Selway Bridge to Jessen Park in Twin Bridges – each outfitter is limited to one boat launch per day	1	2	3	4	5		[]
High Bridge Fishing Access Site to Henneberry Fishing Access site – closed to nonresident float fishing and float outfitting every Saturday	1	2	3	4	5		[]
Henneberry Fishing Access Site to Pipe Organ Fishing Access Site – closed to nonresident float fishing and float outfitting every Sunday	1	2	3	4	5		[]
The only outfitters who may operate on the Beaverhead River are those that have documented use on the river prior to December 31, 1998, or if they were licensed by the Board of Outfitters between December 1, 1998 and July 1, 1999 and his/her operating plan included the Beaverhead River	1	2	3	4	5		[]
Each outfitter, from July 1 through August 31, shall not exceed the number of client days served during the same months in the outfitter's highest client use year from the years 1995-2000, inclusive	1	2	3	4	5		[]
All outfitters eligible to work the river must have a boat tag identifying them as authorized to operate there	1	2	3	4	5		[]

2. How well do the following statements describe your feelings about the new recreational use rules that were recently implemented on the Beaverhead River? (**Circle the number that best describes how strongly you agree or disagree with each statement** or check the "I don't know" box if you don't know).

Statement:	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither disagree or agree	Agree	Strongly agree	I don't know
Overall, I think the new rules are a good thing	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I don't think the new rules are needed	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I think the new rules have helped <i>decrease</i> the number of conflicts between different types of Beaverhead River users	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I think the new rules will help <i>decrease</i> the number of conflicts between different types of Beaverhead River users in the future	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I think the new rules have helped <i>decrease</i> congestion and crowding on the Beaverhead River	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I think the new rules will help <i>decrease</i> congestion and crowding on the Beaverhead River in the future	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I think the new rules will help decrease human-caused impacts to natural resources found along the Beaverhead River	1	2	3	4	5	[]
Because of the new rules, I will likely visit the Beaverhead River <i>less</i> often in the future	1	2	3	4	5	[]
Because of the new rules, I will likely visit the Beaverhead River <i>more</i> often in the future	1	2	3	4	5	[]
Because of the new rules, I will likely visit the Beaverhead River <i>less</i> often on weekends	1	2	3	4	5	[]
Because of the new rules, I will likely visit the Beaverhead River <i>more</i> often on weekends	1	2	3	4	5	[]
Because of the new rules, I will likely more often visit those sections of the Beaverhead River that I have not (or would not) usually visit	1	2	3	4	5	[]
Because of the new rules, I will likely visit rivers other than the Beaverhead River more often	1	2	3	4	5	[]
I think FWP law enforcement staff are adequately enforcing the new rules	1	2	3	4	5	[]

3. What do you *like the MOST* about the new recreational use rules on the Beaverhead River? If nothing, write "nothing".

4. What do you *like the LEAST* about the new recreational use rules on the Beaverhead River? If nothing, write "nothing".

5. Last year (2001), did you fish the Beaverhead River at any time during the peak use season (May 19 through September 3)? (**check only one**)

☐ NO (**Go to question 7**)

☐ YES...If yes, how many days did you fish the river during the peak use season (May 19 through September 3)? (**check only one**)

☐ 1-3 days

☐ 4-9 days

☐ 10 or more days

6. Last year (2001), did you use the services of a commercial fishing outfitter or guide at any time while fishing the Beaverhead River during the peak use season (May 19 through September 3)? (**check only one**)

☐ NO

☐ YES

7. How many trips (ever) in your lifetime have you taken to the Beaverhead River to fish or participate in other river related recreational activities? (check only one)

- ☐ 1-3 trips
- ☐ 4-9 trips
- ☐ 10 or more trips

8. Are you a current resident of Montana? (check only one)

- ☐ NO
- ☐ YES

9. Are you a fishing outfitter and/or guide? (check only one)

- ☐ NO
- ☐ YES

10. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (check only one)

- ☐ 8th grade or less
- ☐ Some high school
- ☐ High school graduate or GED
- ☐ Some college, business or trade school
- ☐ College graduate
- ☐ Some graduate school
- ☐ Masters, doctoral or professional degree

11. What is your gender? (check only one)

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male

12. What is your age? ____ (years)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Please return this questionnaire using the enclosed postage paid envelope.

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