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To: The Northeast Regional  
Water Quality Control Board

As a 57 year resident of the Northfork Elk River watershed I vigorously object to the approval of the proposed WDR. It is based on incomplete and perhaps erroneous information.

As an example I cite the use of the 2004 CDF peak flow model which failed to recognize the reduced channel capacity caused by the deposition of sediment over the preceding MAXXAM years and the use of PALCO data based on six cross sections instead of the far more extensive data provided by Salmon Forever measuring channel capacity change.

Again do not approve this WDR. We residents have faced increased flooding, higher than ever sediment loads, greatly reduced water quality, reduced property values, and the loss of the many beneficial uses that we once had.

Sincerely,  
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