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Dear Mr. Vrymoed:

Thank you for your interest in Grand Canyon National Park and for your comments regarding river trip regulations in your letter that I received January 4, 2016. I would like to assure you that your comments and concerns are heard and taken seriously.

Prior to receiving your letter I had already asked park staff to address this issue. This was in part due to the efforts and communication of the Grand Canyon Private Boater's Association (GCPBA), with whom the park has a very strong relationship of open communication and cooperation. Brian Bloom, the River District Ranger, has been in talks with GCPBA president Wally Rist and has plans to continue working with Wally and other stakeholders to come to a reasonable and workable solution to this issue.

Brian is working with these groups, and with park management officials, to determine the best course of action that will provide an enjoyable and safe experience for park visitors and river runners. I appreciate your inclusion of Wally on this letter and suggest that you continue your correspondence with him to help provide the park with possible solutions.

If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact Brian Bloom, River District Ranger, at [brian\\_bloom@nps.gov](mailto:brian_bloom@nps.gov).

Sincerely,

David V. Uberuaga  
Superintendent