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RE:
Docket No. FAA-99-5927
(Commercial Air Tour Limitation in the Grand Canyon National Park Special Flight Rules Area:
and,
Docket No. FAA-99-5926-10
(Modification of the Dimensions of the Grand Canyon National Park Special Flight Rules Area and Flight Free Zones)

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to ask you to do whatever you can to RESTRICT flights over the Grand Canyon, especially in the section between Glenn Canyon Dam and Lake Meade.

I rafted this stretch of river, and words do not describe how incredible the experience was. I specifically picked an outfitter that did not use motors to run their rafts in order to have a more peaceful trip. I feel that allowing airplane flights over the Grand Canyon is a significant imposition on any person within miles of the flight, and should not be tolerated. The flights spoil the experience of not only the river runners and hikers, but also of the thousands of tourists visiting the rim.

If you have any question about the effect the flights have on the enjoyment of the Grand Canyon, go spend time there, listening to the birds and the wind, then note how the airplanes change the experience. It's like being at the lake or on the highway, not at the most beautiful place in North America.

Please ban flights over the Grand Canyon.

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