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Scott Fitzwilliams, Forest Supervisor
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Re: USDA Forest Service Camp Hale Restoration and Enhancement Project

Dear Scott,

10th Mountain Division Hut Association (10th Mountain) supports the US Forest Service proposal to restore and enhance the natural and cultural resources of the Camp Hale area. 10th Mountain commends the USFS and the National Forest Foundation for bringing together many diverse and integral stakeholders to develop a comprehensive and thoughtful proposal.

10th Mountain owns and operates a system of 14 backcountry huts on the White River and Pike/San Isabel National Forests, and accepts reservations for another 20 huts that are owned privately or by other non-profits. 10th Mountain is interested in the Camp Hale area because 10th Mountain owes its name to the WWII troops that trained there, and several huts are accessed from Camp Hale.

Please keep us informed as the public review process continues.

Sincerely,

Ben Dodge
Executive Director