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Mr. Scott Fitzwilliams
Forest Supervisor
White River National Forest
900 Grand Ave.
Glenwood Springs, Colorado 81601

Re: Whitney Creek Geotechnical Investigation #58221

Dear Mr. Fitzwilliams,

On behalf of the Town of Avon, Colorado (the "Town"), this letter is provided in connection with the request from the White River National Forest (the "WRNF") for public on the proposal from the City of Aurora and City of Colorado Springs to conduct geophysical and subsurface surveys in the Homestake Valley (the "Project").

While the Town recognizes the City of Aurora and the City of Colorado Springs control most of the water within the Homestake Reservoir, some water within the Homestake Reservoir and the Homestake Valley generally is used to ensure streamflow in the Eagle River, a crucial water source for the Town. The Town is uniquely interested in understanding and commenting on any proposed geotechnical work that may occur in the Homestake Valley.

The Town of Avon has not had an opportunity to review the information and conduct a work session as the Avon Town Council due to attention to coronavirus emergency matters and prior pressing business matters. As such, the Town respectfully requests the WRNF extend the comment period with respect to the Project until at least August 4, 2020. The Avon Town Council finds that the opportunity for community involvement at the local level and opportunity to provide thoughtful and informed comments is very valuable for any review process of an action with regional impacts.

Sincerely,



Paul F. Wisor
Avon Town Attorney