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Curtis Keetch
District Ranger
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RE: Yellow Jacket Project

Dear Mr. Keetch,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Yellow Jacket Project. Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has reviewed the proposed project.

CPW supports the proposed plan that would improve forest resilience to potential future disturbances. The Yellow Jacket area including; Wilson Park, Sawmill Mountain and Ellison Mountain is in need of habitat improvements. This area is currently made up of old growth low resilient forest types including aspen, lodgepole pine, spruce/fir, Douglas fir, and ponderosa pine. New growth, regeneration and resiliency will be created in all of these forest types by removing or thinning old decadent stands of timber.

CPW believes that the proposed plan will improve forest health and overall wildlife habitat within the project area.

CWP appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the proposal.

Please contact Ross McGee, District Wildlife Manager, at 970-942-7055 if you have any questions or would like clarification.

Sincerely,

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