

I am writing to oppose the proposed Pinecrest Basin Management Direction – Community Center Forest Plan Amendment and Special Use Permit (#68965).

A primary concern with this proposal is the apparent lack of demonstrated unmet need sufficient to justify the requested Forest Plan Amendment and expanded special use authorization. The proposal materials do not clearly establish that existing facilities, services, or recreational opportunities within the Pinecrest Basin are inadequate to meet current public demand. It is unjustifiable to alter existing protections and add unnecessary strain on the environment for the purpose of having similar commercial services without a specific, unmet need identified and supported by research.

I am also concerned about the cumulative impacts associated with increased traffic and the effects this proposal may have on the basin's natural character and recreational value. The Pinecrest Basin represents an important public resource, and management decisions affecting the area should be based on clearly demonstrated public need and careful environmental stewardship.

I respectfully request that the responsible agencies deny the proposed Forest Plan Amendment and Special Use Permit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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