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Comments: I respectfully submit the attached comment letter on behalf of Mesa County.

Dear Mr. Stewart:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Scoping Period for the Powderhorn Mountain Resort ("PMR") Snowmaking Supply Line and Trail Project ("Project"). We appreciate the cooperative relationship Mesa County has with the Forest Service and are pleased to offer feedback.

Mesa County believes this project positively expands the winter recreational activities currently in place at PMR and adds to a robust and valuable summer mountain biking trail network connecting to the popular Palisade Plunge Trail. The County recognizes the importance of recreational use of our public lands to the local economy by visitors and residents alike. The enhanced user experience and economic benefits that will be added by this project are vital to Mesa County.

This project is consistent with the strategic goals of Mesa County, including the importance of multiple-use of our public lands and a balanced approach to management of recreation across those lands. Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Peter Baier, P.E., M.P.A. Mesa County Administrator

cc: Mesa County Administration Board of Mesa County Commissioners