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Excerpt from attachment (email to Senator Udall) copied here on 9/21/15 for coding purposes:

The Forest Service has recently announced plans to allocate 10,000 acres of forestland as a wilderness area in the Manzano Mountains in the Cibola Forest. If implemented the allocation will have a significant negative impact on the people living in the neighboring Estancia Basin by severely limiting the amount of water supplied by the mountains to recharge the aquifer from rain and snow in the mountains by trapping with water in the wilderness area. Also, the restrictions on the use of land in a wilderness area would prevent the fire departments from entering the area with fire fighting equipment and could lead to wild fire travel into populated areas. In addition people who live in the foothills have for generations supported themselves and families by harvesting wood in the forest. They will loose a major source of support because the access to the wilderness is severely limited. We are concerned about the future of the Estancia Basin ifthe forest in designated a wilderness area. Can you help us deal with these concerns