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Re: Whitney Creek Geological Investigations

I strongly oppose the requested special use permit (SUP) and related Categorical Exclusion (CatEx) for geotechnical investigations in connection with Homestake Partners' proposed transmountain diversion of water from Homestake Creek in the Holy Cross Wilderness for the Whitney Reservoir project.

I am deeply concerned about the Whitney Reservoir (Homestake III) project's impact on the environment.

Also, I object to the reduction of any federal Wilderness Areas, and especially the unique Holy Cross Wilderness.

Any exploration process is a huge impact on the environment. Do not allow step one of the destructions of this special valley. They do not need to explore for the best location for a dam when the dam should not be allowed.

Sue Rushmore