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Comments: I'm writing to express my support of the US Forest Service project expanding and improving Golden Peak. I am an athlete enrolled at Ski and Snowboard Club Vail and a student at the Vail Ski and Snowboard Academy.

I wanted to let you know how much this experience at SSCV and VSSA means to me and what improving our training venue would me to me and other local kids here in the Vail Valley. Of course we are here to ski and train at SSCV but it offers us so much more. The training hill at Golden Peak lets me get better at my skiing. I hope to ski in College someday and would to make it to a D1 team. But the only way I can do that is by having the best training venue I can have as well as the excellent coaching that SSCV has to offer. Not only is the club making me a better person but it also is showing me how my courage, character and commitment can help me excel in all areas of my life just not skiing. It is making me a better person for the future. I would hope that we can have this expansion so many other of our local kids here in the Vail Valley can have the same great experience that I am having.

Also with the expansion we will be able to offer training to the higher level athletes like the US Ski team. It is a great experience to train on a course right next to someone like Ted Ligety or Lindsey Vonn.

Please approve this request for this expansion.

Thank you.