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Comments: I am a researcher at the Rocky Mountain Biological Lab, and also a landowner with property very near Gunnison National Forest who enjoys recreational opportunities on public lands. I encourage the revisions to include stronger protections for the Gothic Research Area, as the RMBL is a world renowned center for ecology research that brings hundreds of biologists to the area each year.

I also encourage the GMUG revisions to address dispersed summer camping pressures in the valleys near Crested Butte, and to look for creative solutions to trailhead winter pressures that can degrade habitat for wildlife. Finally, I think the GMUC plan revisions should include stronger considerations of the social and environmental costs of coal extraction. This should include standards that prevent unregulated methane venting related to coal extraction.