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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

I am a Colorado native with a home in Bachelor Gulch. I am an avid downhill skier, cross-country skier, biker, hiker and general outdoorsman. Although I am generally a supporter of Vail Resorts, I am appalled by their Beaver Creek Resort - McCoy Park Terrain Development proposal. As you know, McCoy Park is the only high alpine dedicated cross-country ski and snowshoe park in the country. As such, it is a uniquely precious asset in the Vail Valley that needs to be preserved. Although Vail's proposal will maintain roughly 60% of the existing terrain for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing, it will completely destroy the pristine nature of the park by putting two chair lifts right through the middle of the park! There is ample downhill ski terrain throughout the rest of Beaver Creek, especially in light of the recent addition of the Red Buffalo lift, and there is nowhere else to snowshoe or cross-country ski undisturbed by downhill skiers and mechanical chairlifts. McCoy Park is one of the reasons we purchased a home in Bachelor Gulch. Please don't let them destroy it by adding yet more mechanical chairlifts right in the middle of it. The Forest Service is the only entity that can prevent the destruction of this pristine area and wildlife habitat! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mark Manassee