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Comments: I support for the Gold Peak Improvement Project.

I have been involved with SSCV for five years as director of the Freestyle Mogul Program. SSCV plays a pivotal role in providing youth programs and opportunities for athletic development in the Eagle Valley Community. With over 600 participants enrolled in a variety of programs (Alpine, Nordic, Snowboard, Freeski and Moguls) SSCV is not only one of the key organizations that the community sends its kids to, it's also the place. For many kids that place is Golden Peak, but the current site there isn't enough to host everyone.

Even before I came to SSCV, I had heard of The Gold Peak Improvement Project and the promise of an improved training arena to train the next generation of young athletes. Part of this project is the proposed mogul training & competition site. The new site would provide greatly improved access to better training in the most beneficial windows of opportunity.

In short, this project is in keeping with SSCV's motto, 'For The Kids'. Yes, the Gold Peak Improvement Project will likely open more terrain to the general public by freeing up existing terrain designated for SSCV use, but the big benefits are for the kids. And the impact will be profound: more and better sites at key times when hill space is in high demand.

Sincerely,

John Dowling