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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

The expansion of the training and competition arena at Golden Peak is an undue assault one of the most iconic areas of Vail Village. The name itself describes a beautiful peak in its grandeur during the height of the fall season. To take this spectacular portion of Vail Mountain away to accommodate the chosen few for race training and unavailable/inaccessible to the general public screams of elitism and exclusivity. Where does it stop? What will be the next area of the Mountain that will be off-limits? This is part of the National Forest not the Vail Resorts forest.

The plan has not and does not address the environmental as well as the visual impact of removing 80% of the pristine aspen forest.

Along with the other ancillary infrastructure, maintenance/storage facilities, road cuts, snowmaking etc. the degradation of the of the water quality of Gore Creek due to excessive erosion of extremely sensitive and fragile soils have not been formally addressed. I would suggest that an environmental impact statement assessment be made before you sign off on this project.

Although the proposal is consistent with Vail Resorts master plan it does not make it appropriate.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Best Regards,

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