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Comments: I support the Granite Basin/Cement Mountain Wilderness Project. I have been a Crested Butte South Property Owner since 1999, and last September (2017) I hiked this area with our local hiking group at a trial beginning at the pull off parking on Cement Creek Road approximately 1/4 mile past the Cement Creek Ranch. This trail required a Cement Creek crossing and proceeded up toward Cement Creek Mountain. There was complete solitude, no one else on the trial and absolutely no sign of human implant or creation. I continued the hike past the end of the trail, across the meadow and stopped where the the elevation proceeded up Cement Mountain. The return hike was every bit as spectacular and I was left with the feeling that I was alone with nature. I would like to see this area preserved as wilderness.