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Comments: I believe wilderness, nature, and public lands should be treasured, especially when they are close to population centers. Having access to recreational and outdoor space actually brings up property values and keeps both local and tourist populations content. Colorado, and especially this area, is cherished for its outdoor space and access to wild lands. If we begin to take that away, we will see decreased tourism, higher unemployment, a struggling local business scene, and other negative externalities. On top of that, wilderness is worth protecting in and of itself, both for future generations and for current ecosystems. With climate change becoming such a pressing issue, it is prudent of us to be on the front lines of mitigating it, both for economic and environmental reasons.