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Comments: To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing to give my support for the Vail Mountain Snowmaking Project that is currently under review. I believe this project is critical to the future of Vail Mountain and the Vail community at large. The additional 234 acres of snowmaking will allow for an improved opening scenario which will help our community better serve the guests that are so critical to our community's success. Knowing there is more snowmaking and more terrain will increase guests likelihood of booking an early season vacation. Adding more snowmaking higher on the mountain will provide more beginner and intermediate terrain as well as the opportunity to open higher terrain when warm conditions, like what we have experienced the past 2 years, persist lower on the mountain.

I also believe there is a significant safety component to adding snowmaking and thus expanding the terrain for opening. Early season conditions combined with lots of skiers and boarders as that are very excited to be skiing again can be a challenge from a safety standpoint when they are all condensed onto 1 or 2 runs in the Lionshead area. The ability to spread guests out over a larger area will lessen the likelihood of safety issues from overcrowding and provide a better, safer experience for guests and locals.

Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Regards, Travis