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Comments: Re: PSICC oil & gas leasing analysis EIS #33788

As a resident of CO in the neighborhood of the Pike National Forest, I am writing in support of the comments submitted by Wild Connections and Great Old Broads for Wilderness.

Specifically:

1. The EIS needs to consider a wide range of alternatives - including no new leasing, as required by 36 CFR 228.102(c)(2)
2. Strong lease stipulations must be applied to ensure protection of resources without waiver, exception or modification.
3. Some areas - Roadless, important habitats, etc. - must not be leased (or at a minimum, have strict NSO stipulations.)
4. The EIS must analyze impacts to wildlife and fish.
5. The EIS must protect rare plant-life.
6. Leases must require reclamation of activity sites and all areas affected by those sites.
7. The impacts of probable water use in oil & gas operations must be analyzed.
8. The EIS MUST analyze impacts to, and protect, water quality with iron-clad safeguards.
9. The EIS must analyze the impacts to air quality and put appropriate protections in place.
10. The EIS must account for noxious weeds.
11. A responsible EIS will analyze the impacts of proposed activities in relation to climate change.
12. Unproductive leases should be allowed to expire.

Please incorporate these vital points when making determinations with far-reaching impacts and resulting consequences on our nation's beautiful mountain lands!