

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 5/30/2019 9:02:31 PM

First name: Luke

Last name: Waters

Organization:

Title:

Comments: Please consider the long standing Hang Glider / Paraglider launch sites at Kind Mountain when considering this wilderness proposal. The multiple launch sites at King Mountain are considered world class flying sites in the HG/PG communities. People travel from all over the world to come fly the western US and King Mtn is often on top of their list. This brings tourism money to the surrounding areas and helps the local economy. Furthermore, the launches at King Mountain have been maintained to high standards by local pilots and there is a proven history of pilots respectfully enjoying these public areas. I believe making this a wilderness area would restrict access to the launch. I suggest that if this area is to be made a wilderness area that the roads, trails, launch and landing areas at Kind Mtn be excluded from the wilderness area. There are multiple previous examples of this exact thing being done at other wilderness areas in the USA. Thank you.