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Comments:

I strongly oppose the requested special use permit (SUP) and related Categorical Exclusion (CE) for geotechnical investigations in connection with Homestake Partners' proposed transmountain diversion of water from Homestake Creek in the Holy Cross Wilderness for the Whitney Reservoir project. I am a hunter, fisherman, nature lover, climber, and backcountry skier with a second home in Red Cliff, CO. I'm a busy physician and love retreating to Red Cliff on my days off because it is quiet, unspoiled., and surrounded by a unique ecosystem. I feel strongly that wilderness areas should be preserved for the wilderness and not destroyed to support wasteful lifestyles on the front range. Please do not permit these projects from going forward.