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Comments: I strongly oppose the requested Special Use Permit and related Categorical Exclusion for geotechnical investigations in connection with Homestake Partners' proposed trans mountain diversion of water from Homestake Creek in the Holy Cross Wilderness for the Whitney Reservoir project.

This area is pristine and an entry to a Wilderness area that holds ecological and recreational value. I understand that Colorado Springs and Aurora believe that they need the water from this area. And if things were truly desperate, it might warrant consideration. However, these urban areas have yet to demonstrate, to me and to others, that they have the ability to live within the water resources that they already possess. I lived in Phoenix, AZ for 2 years and I witnessed there the obsession with having a lawn and washing cars. When we choose to live in an arid (sunny) climate, we need to follow through - and accept the downside too. I also fully support an international initiative "30 by 2030" that both Senator Bennet and Congressman Neguse have signed onto. This initiative would set aside and protect 30% of land and water in the world. It is legislation that acknowledges we do not have an infinite Earth and No more means - No more.