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Comments: I am writing to let you know that I am completely opposed to the proposed dam, with drilling to take place in a pristine wetland that can never be replaced. We should never sacrifice wilderness for the gain of people who want to move to Denver, a city that continues to grow at the expense of the mountain communities and our environment. Last weekend I drove up Homestake Road to access backpacking to Lonesome Lake. There were well over 200 people camping and recreating on Homestake. What an insult to see drilling rigs and mowed over wetlands while trying to enjoy the wilderness. We will never get this wilderness back. Even if the dam is not approved, they will have destroyed the fragile wetland environment that cannot be restored. As our elk population continues to decline, this is not a project that benefits the residents of the high country at all, it just degrades the surrounding wilderness. I encourage the forest service to deny this proposal.