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Comments: To whom it May concern,

This letter is in opposition of the proposed drilling sites in the Homestake Wilderness.

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.

As a Vail native ('71) and professional guide for more than 20 years in the area, I want to see the unique wetlands, including fens and other sensitive areas be preserved. There was a reason the Homestake II project was defeated. The preservation of this region is more important now than ever.

Humanity is being asked to show up differently. What actions will the communities of Aurora and Colorado Springs take to ensure the sustainability of our backyard resources. To eliminate 500 acres of wilderness is an action that can never be reversed. Please ensure wilderness stays wild by declining this permit. And holding all stakeholders to a high standard when the future remains unknown.

Thank you,

Tanya M.