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Comments: Thank you for this public comment period. I only wish it was more transparent and better publicized.

In September 2019, Steamboat Resort formally announced the creation of a new department "solely dedicated to sustainability," according to The Steamboat

Pilot, "for furthering goals related to climate and energy."

The NOPA does not incorporate sustainability concerns nor clearly address them in its "Project Design Criteria" or "Preliminary Effects and Issues to Consider" sections. In this time of resources becoming scarcer and very competitive demands being placed on them, an EIS is essential and should take into account how sustainable a project expansion of this scope and magnitude is (especially into Fish Creek Canyon).

An EIS should also take into account impacts to other sectors of the Yampa Valley that are vital to its economic health and diversity, especially agriculture, which has always been, and hopefully will continue to be, the focus and priority of the US Department of Agriculture.