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Comments: I am against the proposed Sandia mountain coaster, because I believe it will have a significant negative impact on the Sandia mountain ecosystem and further erode the wilderness experience due to increased foot traffic and noise. The proposed area and the adjoining wilderness is already very heavily impacted, due to the tourist traffic arriving from the Sandia tram and Crest highway. In the 15+ years that I've hiked and loved the Sandias, I have seen a significant increase in the amount of trash, noise and vandalism in this area. There is next to no law enforcement in the area; in all my years of hiking in the area, I have never seen a Forest Service or other law enforcement agency official go off a paved surface. Bringing more people to the area for Disney-esque attractions such as a mountain coaster and snack hut is unconscionable, and threatens to make the area just another urban blight on the mountain. PLEASE reconsider the wisdom of adding attractions for the sake of adding to the Sandia Tram co.'s revenues. There is no other reason to allow this, and the Forest Service needs to draw the line here. Once destroyed, we will never get the peace and quiet of the forest back again.