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Comments: I object to making the Harris Park range an official range and instead ask that it, as well as the surrounding area be added to the closed areas.

The main reason is its proximity to residential areas and recreation users other than shooting. As a resident of Harris Park for more than 20 years, I can attest to the noise that this range generates. At times it sounds like WWIII with presumed automatic rifle fire and large caliber guns.

The national forest around the range is used by hikers, bikers and others. The Tombstone rock north of the range has developed climbing on it. This formation appears to be directly downrange and in line with the proposed pistol range. The Meridian Trail which is popular with locals as well as others from the Front Range crosses the hillside west of, and downrange of the rifle range.

In addition to the noise and danger to other forest users, there have been at least four fires started at this range, including two within weeks of each other a few years ago. This presents an unacceptable danger to the nearby homeowners.