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Comments: Hi-

This just going into the woods and shooting has got to stop. We have had a couple of close calls in the forest off of Rampart Range Road. We live close by and often go up there for drives or a picnic. We have witnessed people shooting in areas that aren't shooting areas, and the trash that is left behind is AWFUL - These people just bring their old TV's and shoot them up and leave their trash for someone else to deal with! The destruction to the forest is concerning, we even saw a tree stump that someone shot his name into the stump - Thanks, Craig! Who does that? We have also seen trees just cut in half from so many shotgun barrels aimed at it. The noise in the forest is deafening, but you can even hear it in the neighborhoods in Woodland Park. There are many hikers that enjoy the area, and the random bullets can be deadly. I know there are only so many rangers, but it is getting really scary and dangerous. I hate that people are up there shooting, to begin with, but can't there be one location that can go to without infringing on the forest and those that just want to enjoy it (not destroy it!) Perhaps we should impose some sort of permit that they need to buy that will help to cover the garbage left behind? And "Fine the hell out of everyone that isn't shooting in a designated area. I have no solution for the noise. I really am sympathetic to the Forest Service, I know you only have so many resources. Sorry for my rant. God Bless