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Comments: I am a Colorado resident and have been Hiking, Camping, and Target Shooting responsibly in the Pike National Forest for twenty years. My family and I follow the rules in place, clean up after ourselves, and often bring far more garbage OUT of the PNF than we brought into it. I strongly object to this further attempt to limit the rights of responsible citizens to participate in the shooting sports and exercise our 2nd Amendment rights in our National Forest. We already have significant restrictions and rules placed upon our ability to target-shoot legally within PNF. I would argue that the existing restrictions are already too restrictive and burdensome. We already must drive miles into the Forest before reaching an area where dispersed target shooting becomes legal. By restricting this further and concentrating target shooting activities into a few small sites, the risk of injury, robbery, and accidents would go UP, not down. Remember the shooting range that used to exist just above Garden of the Gods? It became a trash dump, eventually someone was killed there, and now it is gone. We have rules. They are more than enough. This proposal to further manage/restrict dispersed target shooting within PNF is excessive, unnecessary, and punishes the wrong people. Please pursue it no further.