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Comments: Greetings,

I am an avid hiker, backpacker, mountain climber and skier. I love exploring the Sandia Mountains throughout the year! From what I can see in the planned proposal of the coaster, it doesn't look like much will be impacted with regards to hiking. Most of the impact will be felt on the Rob & Fred runs for skiers. I would say that if skiers will have the ability to ski underneath and around the coaster infrastructure, I would be fine with it. As a matter of fact, it might make it more fun to ski through. However, if these areas will be blocked off permanently at the designated coaster path, it would be disappointing.

Another thing to keep in mind is that there might be more littering in these areas due to the coaster (people throwing objects as they're going down), as the majority of the riders will be people who aren't normal outdoor enthusiasts thus not respecting the mountain and forests. I've seen that happen before with outdoor attractions dealing with "normies".