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Comments: As a resident of Durango, CO and near Purgatory Resort I strongly oppose the Ice Creek Expansion Plan. There are too many direct impacts to our environment, which should not be ignored. None-the-less the direct impact expansion would have on Hwy 550, which increasingly has had more travel annually. Purgatory Ski Resort should concentrate on addressing current issues and existing terrain improvements / parking lot improvements, rather than attempting to tackle becoming a larger resort. The lasting environmental impacts to the land and wildlife will be irreversible. These are major negative impacts on the habitat. The wildlife cannot speak for themselves, so I am voicing for them (all) that the Ice Creek Expansion Plan should not move forward. Focus on addressing issues that the resort has now - beginner ski terrain, parking issues. Understandably, Public Lands belong to all. Think about the flora and fauna who count on the 'Public' to protect them. We all must live in harmony and an expansion is not the solution.