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Comments: Please reconsider placing the mountain coaster in the Sandias. While the project sounds like a lot of fun and a great source of revenue, we are concerned that the extra 20,000-30,000 cars in the summer will bring a large added risk for forest fire, along with air and noise pollution and habitat infringement for wildlife. The Sandias are such a special, diverse and rare environment, we wouldn't want to see this put in danger of being burned down or otherwise injured. Perhaps a safer, quieter and less polluting option might be considered. For example, placing the coaster at a lower elevation that is easier to access and not in the middle of the forest? Or a series of educational classes like plant identification walks, birding walks, etc. Thank you for your time.