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Comments: As someone born and raised in Sandia Park, I have spent an immense amount of time in the Sandias. I learned to ski there when I was four, I took part in San Antonito Elementary School's Ski Club every year. I have run the trails, biked the trails, skied the trails, and hiked the trails. I have always been a huge supporter of the ski area and realized it brought a lot to my childhood and overall impression of living in the area. Building a roller coaster that cuts through the mountains and existing trails would ruin this. It would be detrimental to the wildlife and the other recreation that currently thrives in the Sandias. Investing money into the existing infrastructure for mountain biking and hiking in the summer would be less harmful to the environment and equally lucrative. Improving existing trails for downhill mountain bikes, and running the chairlift in the summer months for bikers, hikers, and tourists would increase visitors without damaging our mountains. Work with what we have to benefit both humans and the environment.