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Comments: Re: Sandia Peak Mountain Coaster

The Sandia Peak is a multi season recreational environment for the Greater Albuquerque area. It already contains a tram offering spectacular views of the city, a ski area that attracts locals and tourists as it offers an easy access to skiing. I remember going to ski there with my son on his half-days from school because it's only an hour's drive from the NE Heights. In addition the Crest offers footpaths and hiking trails during the off season. It's an important resource for a metropolitan area that is becoming increasingly more urban.

So your stated reason of increasing multiseason use is not convincing.

The last thing this area needs is a mountain coaster that is likely to degrade the environment, impact the biosystems, and utilize scarce resources such as water.

The Crest is part of Sandia mountain which is sacred to the Sandia people and their concerns about this project should be seriously considered as well.