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Comments: What kind of Coaster are we specifically talking about here? Hopefully not the large ugly roller coasters we see at many amusement parks throughout the United States. The Sandia Mountains are too pristine and wild for this to take place. As anyone who has hiked, biked or driven through the Sandia National Forest, I'm sure you have seen how extremely dry everything is. There's a large amount of dry wood available out there to fuel a fire with just a spark.

I am completely against the thought of a roller coaster being constructed in the Sandia Park Ski Area. Our forests are so much more important to New Mexico and our future generations to enjoy with their children and grandchildren. It is not worth sacrificing for short-term financial gain, even if it means more jobs for New Mexicans.

I'd also heard last year,(2000), that Sandia Peak Ski Area had discussions about erecting a "Zip Line System". I wonder if this is what is being talked about in this article as being a "Coaster". If that is the case, then I believe it could possibly be "consciously constructed" to minimize the impact on the forest, wildlife, vegetation, although, I am still sincerely concerned about the fire danger!

But Citizen discussion and input is needed.