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Comments: My name is Hannah, and I am a graduate student at NCSU. I am writing today to oppose the mountain roller coaster in the Cibola National Forest.

As climate change and environmental destruction become increasingly destructive problems, with disastrous and already very apparent implications for human health and safety, preservation of the environment needs to be a top priority in every decision we make as a society. This mountain roller coaster could have incredibly negative consequences for the mountain, forest, and watershed- as well as all of the wildlife that inhabits these areas. Noise pollution, litter, and soil erosion are all problems that cannot be taken lightly as our ecosystem hangs in a very delicate balance, at a time in which it is more delicate than it has ever been in the history of human life on earth.

In addition, this project was planned without the approval of the Pueblo indigenous community, the people that cherish this land and have long had their knowledge of the land (and feelings about its use) neglected for a very long time. Building this mountain coaster would be an insult to indigenous peoples in New Mexico, and a threat to the ecosystem. We simply cannot allow this to take place.

Thank you for listening.