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Comments: As a resident of Albuquerque, an avid outdoorsperson, and advocate for public recreation opportunities, I cannot fathom where this project fits in with the Forest Service's mission or the interests of the visitors it serves. A roller coaster in this location would be detrimental to the environment by bringing a low-effort attraction to the top of the Sandías, revered mountains that should be left as undeveloped as possible. Visitors should not be able to associate this landscape with a cheap amusement park because their stewardship actions (or lack thereof) would reflect that attitude. Moreover, this project promises little in the way of benefitting people in the area, at a huge cost to the social value of the Sandías. A roller coaster would come with immense impacts to the soundscape and character of mountains that are beloved by countless New Mexicans and held sacred by our Indigenous relatives. For these reasons, I deeply encourage that the Sandia Ranger District does not move forward with the approval process for this project.