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Comments: To Whomsoever Will Listen:

The proposed Mountain Coaster on Sandia Peak is not a viable solution. Within 3-4 years the proposed attraction will lose its appeal and the structure will be left to deteriorate, leaving the mountain eroded, bruised and scarred. The mountain is a sacred space; it is meant to be protected for regulating our arid New Mexico climate and secured for future generations.

Being that Sandia Peak is a sacred space and highly revered by surrounding Indigenous Pueblo Nations, The Pueblo of Sandia in particular, have Pueblo community members been consulted and included in the propositional conversations and planning meetings? Do Mountain Coaster project planners and supporters empathize with the notion of protecting the sacred for not only our current survival, but for generations to come?

The mission of the Cibola National Forest (CNF) endorses quality, sustainable land management. Why is the CNF "considering categorically excluding this project from analysis in an environmental assessment (EA) or environmental impact statement (EIS)?" Assessments as such are absolutely vital in determining the possible environmental effects of the proposed project.

25 Mountain Coasters currently exist within the United States of America, making the proposed coaster in New Mexico irrelevant and non-essential. Not to mention, uneconomically viable for local residents. Which begs the question, who would monetarily benefit from the proposed Mountain Coaster?

Is a 6-minute ride ultimately worth the price of further degradation?

Respectfully,

A Concerned Mother Earth Relative