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Comments: This letter is a homeowner comment on concerns of this project in its entirety. First concern is regarding increased traffic of all modes, foot, bike, motorized vehicles on a very narrow stretch of highway already congested in summer months. This influx increases pollutants, trash, and other material through building and excavation plans to enter our river and streams. This causing detriment to wildlife and erosion to our natural habitats. The recent mudslides and rock mitigation already increases traffic delays and concerns for local transport along the roads. Concerning wildlife, the elk migration, sheep population, fish, birds, and other small animals depend on preservation and I believe that is the main goal of all natural and protected lands thus being enforced by less human access. The rural communities have slow and little cell service for accidents that may happen and lack of resources to provide life saving measures. Again more people more problems. The bikes would ultimately be on the roads and increase road biking individuals. This poses concerns in sections of blind corners, low visibility and endangers all who travel along this area. Another concern is increased tax dollars for those who do not wish to have this project completed. Individuals, couples, families and pets who reside in the Crystal Valley appreciate and want to protect their privacy. That is why we decided to live in a rural area. Please consider these comments and concerns to refuting the progress of this project.