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Comments: Why would the Forest Service permit a mining company to store tailings and waste rock on National Forest System lands? Mining tailings are toxic, thus contaminating the land on which they are stored. This would be harmful to wildlife and destroy the ecosystem.

Storing mining tailings on public lands is not compatible with preserving National Forest System lands. These lands belong to all of us and were set aside to preserve their ecosystems. It is not in the public interest to contaminate them. I am against the Stillwater Mining Company's proposal to construct new tailings and waste rock storage facilities at the existing East Boulder mine.