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Comments: Habitat Fragmentation, weed infestation, soil erosion, wildlife harassment and displacement, and sedimentation of the North St. Vrain Watershed must be avoided which are caused by indirectly increasing social trails and access routes left unpatrolled and unmanaged by forest health practices (haul roads, staging areas and decks, ingress/egress routes). The values of the Research Natural Areas status of this region should be prioritized and valued in the review process. This region is the largest unfragmented green patch, highly effective wildlife habitat, remaining outside of RMNP Wild Basin, in Boulder County. All efforts need to be taken to preserve the ecological values, such as connectivity, carbon sequestration, and climate refuge for wildlife, while also reducing risk of crowning and high intensity forest fires.