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Comments: Greetings, writing to submit my input regarding the 22 miles of proposed trails. I am an avid mountain cyclist, and have been an advocate for much of my life. However, the Copper mountain proposal is unnecessary, intrusive in our natural world in the name of profits and exploitation to benefit the few while adding further stress to wildlife. Copper is a massive resort as is Vail resorts and in order to keep competitive with the ever insatiable appetite for more, Copper is following suit. Moreover, there is little oversight, on the ground in this area because it has been more preserved and one of the few areas currently somewhat off hands to builders, construction (which I am also a part of in employment). When will the endless stream of McMansions, sitting unoccupied most of the year combined with equally as selfish playgrounds for the rich cease? This culture, usually from big pockets out of states who migrate to Colorado from an already fully exploited area only to bring more demand for rich play areas to their new home. Will this culture stop with you? or will big money ski areas continue their march toward eventual exclusion & off limits to those who can't pay. Do we need more Moose tangled in snow equipment & suffer such unnecessary demise? You are responsible to be stewards of the forest ( as I had once done for many years with both the NFS & NFS) ....be that steward for those with the smaller voice and not the attorneys of the affluent class, I say they have more than enough! And don't be fooled, it is the rich we're talking about, in order to properly enjoy those proposed trails a mountain bike starts around 4k. I know first hand, my Yeti costs 6,500\$ and is looking mid-range these days in Colorado. Once the proposal is accepted there's no return, what is the rush? At least keep wildlife & our natural world a break before imposing your death sentence of machinery & noise to appease the imbalance of managed recreation.

With appreciation,

Ken Cronin