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Comments: I am fully supportive of the land exchange between Mt. Emmons Mining Company (MEMC) and the U.S. Forest Service if residential and commercial development on the lands traded to MEMC is prohibited and if public access to ski Mt. Emmons is included. I am also fully supportive of a permanent mineral withdrawl on Mt. Emmons which would prevent further mining for minerals on Mt. Emmons. I have visited the parcel of land to be traded in the Ohio Creek Valley and I think that parcel of land is much more valuable to the Forest Service than the parcels of land on Mt. Emmons which will be traded to MEMC. I have reviewed the draft Conservation Easement and the Minerals Extinguishment Agreement and I also find them to both be satisfactory. I have attended at least three public meetings about the land exchange and have had many questions answered.