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Comments: We have been homeowners in SJRV for 20 years and greatly enjoy the area. We also strongly object to development of the Jackson Mountain gravel pit site. This is not an appropriate location for a semi-heavy industry. It is not at all compatible with the recreational activities that many people enjoy in this area, including: hiking, biking, hunting and fishing. It will also negatively impact quality of life for SJRV homeowners, many of whom are permanent residents. How will you ensure the noise will not destroy the solitude of the forest? How can you ensure the dust from the mining operation and the trucks traveling will not create a health hazard for those who already have breathing problems. How will this not impact the wildlife in the area? How will you ensure that the already horrible traffic situation on HWY 160 through our neighborhood will not get worse and lead to potential fatalities? How can you ensure that the springs coming from this area will not be impacted and contaminate ground water supply? How will you ensure that after 10 years the FS will not renew the permit? How can you ensure that this will not lower the value of my home? If this is primarily for cheaper gravel , where are the studies to show it including all the additional costs to mitigate for sound, health, wildlife, safety, etc? We call upon the NFS to do the right thing and remove this site as a gravel site option now and in the future.

Doug and Terri Ranken