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Comments: My name is Mark Byrne and I have been involved with The Heroes Project for over seven years. I have participated in numerous events including multiple Climb For Heroes at Mount Baldy. The Heroes Project is a unique institution that provides a vital program for wounded veterans. Mount Baldy is synonymous with The Heroes Project's mission. I travel from Boston every year to reach the summit for all of those who have fought to keep us free. For me, Mount Baldy is a symbol of motivation, pride, and beauty. Mount Baldy is the training ground for these expeditions, serving as the beginning of a dream and what is possible. The proposed location for the Veterans Retreat Center is essential in providing our wounded veterans from around the country, a place to focus on the task at hand, healing. My love for the outdoors and hiking I fully attribute to The Heroes Project. I am so grateful and proud to be a part of something that truly helps. I hope you approve the proposed plans so they can continue the amazing work they are doing.