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Comments: Thanks for the opportunity to comment on this project. I think an EIS is needed.

There is too much drilling, road building and general activity and potential pollution too close to wonderful recreational areas and too close to dipper habitat. I very much worry about rare and endangered bats. I fear with all the old mines and adits around old mining sites, you could have hibernacula up there and you run the risk of disturbing them in winter or disturbing their roost sites in summer.

I oppose this project and want you to protect the forest and the only way you can do that is withdraw areas from mineral entry. So you should work to withdraw at least some of this area from mineral entry.