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Comments: I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed expansion of the Monarch Ski Area in Chaffee County, Colorado. As a resident of Buena Vista, Colorado, I believe that this expansion holds significant benefits for our local economy and community.

Chaffee County has always been a region closely tied to its natural beauty and recreational opportunities. The Monarch Ski Area has been a cornerstone of our winter tourism industry, attracting visitors from near and far. The proposed expansion promises to enhance the offerings of Monarch Ski Area, making it an even more attractive destination for winter enthusiasts.

One of the key reasons I am enthusiastic about this expansion is its potential impact on our local economy. Tourism plays a vital role in sustaining businesses in our area, from hotels and restaurants to retail shops and recreational rental services. An expanded Monarch Ski Area will undoubtedly draw more visitors, leading to increased revenue for local businesses and the creation of additional jobs.

Furthermore, as a web developer focused on digital accessibility at Airbnb, I understand the importance of balancing development with environmental stewardship. It is my belief that the Monarch Ski Area expansion has been thoughtfully planned to minimize its ecological impact while maximizing its recreational and economic benefits.

In conclusion, I urge you to consider the positive effects that the proposed expansion of the Monarch Ski Area will have on the Chaffee County economy. This project aligns with our community's values of outdoor recreation and economic sustainability. I wholeheartedly support this initiative and look forward to seeing the continued growth and prosperity it can bring to our beautiful region.

Sincerely,

Steven Bassett