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Comments: The Forest Service and BLM should close the Thompson Divide area to oil and gas leasing and mining for at least 20 years. The proposed Mineral Withdrawal would protect 225,000 acres of public lands from future oil and gas leasing, as well as mining. Benefits to air quality, wildlife habitat, watersheds, wilderness corridors, and our climate would be immediate and worthwhile. Pristine wilderness is being destroyed at a rapid pace...something that can not be easily replaced. Oil, gas and mining had it's time. Let's get moving to heal our world and find clean energy alternatives.