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Comments: RE: Sweetwater Lake Recreation Management and Development Project (SLDP) #64047

I have been a year round resident of the Eagle Valley for 50+ years. I've seen how the growth of this valley has accelerated at a pace to where we now have an over population of people with a shortage of housing and jobs and unbelievable traffic. I feel this project will only attract more people to our valley, who will want to move here, and further complicate the situation.

I currently own property on both sides of Sweetwater Road and feel the proposed amount of traffic on that road will not be feasible. It cannot handle the amount of people that will be filling the camping, RV spots, cabins, equestrian participants and day users and the management /employee personnel.

My number one concern is emergency evacuation if there were to be a wild fire and or flooding.

Besides the persons at the Sweetwater Lake Recreation Area, you have all the residents that live along the Sweetwater Road as well as the Colorado River Road, who would be affected.

We currently have a great amount of local traffic along the Sweetwater Road and the Colorado River Road, and adding to this with the amount of people you are going to accommodate, seems way over the top of what these roads could handle daily.

In addition, I worry about impact on the areas wildlife, with increased human activities and traffic. As well as any impact on Sweetwater Lake itself and the Sweetwater Creek.

I know this project is in Garfield County, but access to this project is through Eagle County, which is where I live and work. I have concerns no matter what county it is in and would hope that these concerns would be taken seriously for consideration.