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To whom it may concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Frisco Backyard fuels reduction and recreation improvement project.

I didn't see any language addressing care and concern for residents immediately adjacent to the proposed project.

When considering the construction noise, traffic, pollution, heavy equipment, and smoke impacts to and through residential neighborhoods, could we look at alternative approaches to the Monument?

I suggest a heavy traffic access and entrance at the hospital traffic light using Peak One Drive for the main route into the Miners Ck. Project area. This would distance the impact from our residential neighborhoods and allow the creation of perhaps a new larger parking area for work staging and visitor access.

Maybe the Miners Ck. Rd. and 2nd St. parking lots could then be minimized for local access only and the Peak One Drive access could be nationally promoted as the gateway entrance into the recreation area.

Also, considering our current USFS funding and staffing shortfalls, should this project be attempted before adequate monitoring and enforcement mechanisms are guaranteed?

I also recommend more communication with our local neighborhood association board members for impact notifications and possible volunteer work opportunities. Immediately adjacent neighborhoods are proactive eyes and ears in the area and usually eager to help.

Bills Ranch for example provides dog bag drop off containers at nearby trailheads and funds their haul off.