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Comments: I strongly oppose the Pinecrest Basin Management Direction - Community Center proposal because Pinecrest should remain a National Forest destination focused on nature, recreation, and mountain character, not expanded commercialization.

Pinecrest is valued for its scenic beauty, forest setting, outdoor activities, and small-town feel. Changing zoning protections for broader commercial use risks harming the qualities that make the area special.

The proposal's own Environmental Assessment notes possible increases in traffic, parking shortages, congestion, safety issues, infrastructure strain, and a shift away from the rustic experience visitors seek.

Pinecrest already struggles with overcrowding during peak seasons, and this proposal would likely worsen those problems.

I am also concerned this would create a precedent for more commercial development in the future. National Forest land should prioritize conservation, recreation, scenic values, and public enjoyment, not unnecessary expansion where services already exist nearby.

I respectfully ask that this proposal be denied or more thoroughly reviewed to protect Pinecrest for future generations.