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Comments: I am writing to express my strong opposition to leasing the ten designated parcels on the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears District to the BLM for potential oil and gas exploration and development. Our public lands provide invaluable ecological, recreational, and economic benefits that must be protected. Opening these areas to fossil fuel development threatens critical wildlife habitats, risks degrading local water quality, and disrupts the pristine natural landscapes that Coloradoans and visitors rely on for outdoor recreation.

The Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest should be managed to preserve its pristine biodiversity and combat climate change, not to expand fossil fuel extraction. I urge the Forest Service to reject these Expressions of Interest and protect our shared public lands from industrial development. Thank you for considering my comments and protecting our natural resources.

Sincerely,

Erin Dalessandro

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