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Comments: Dear BLM and U.S. Forest Service,

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposal to make approximately 13,850 acres within the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District eligible for future oil and gas leasing.

These public lands are valued for their wildlife habitat, recreation, scenic beauty, and the outdoor economy that is so important to Northwest Colorado. Expanding the potential for oil and gas development in this area risks long-term impacts that could outweigh any short-term benefits.

As a longtime resident of Northwest Colorado, Olympic coach, and real estate professional, I have seen firsthand how our public lands support recreation, wildlife, tourism, and the quality of life that draws people to this region. Protecting these landscapes is an investment in our community's future.

I respectfully encourage the agencies to protect these lands and keep them unavailable for future oil and gas leasing. Preserving the natural character of the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears area will benefit current residents, visitors, wildlife, and future generations.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Bobby Aldighieri