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Comments: Protect known active and inactive raptor nest areas. Demand that the USFS adhere to CPW's own raptor guidelines. Bald eagles and Peregrine Falcons will be negatively impacted by the dramatic increase in recreational use of the proposed development. CPW's own raptor guidance recommends buffer zones to restrict human use in activity buffer zone during sensitive times of the year to prevent nest abandonment and protect the Bald Eagles and Peregrine Falcons.
Protect water quality at Sweetwater Lake. Demand that water quality and quantity impacts to Sweetwater Creek and Sweetwater Lake from the proposed development are sufficiently analyzed and mitigated before any development decisions are made. For instance: Wastewater (OWTS) siting analysis is not disclosed, despite cabins being sited in wetland/riparian habitat; the Community Water System source water assessment required by the Safe Drinking Water Act has not actually been performed; and the cumulative effects does not include climate change and foreseeable regional growth.
The current Draft EIS completely lacks a disaster analysis and plans for a secondary emergency egress route. Demand that an analysis of an emergency evacuation route be analyzed and identified. Relying on a single, 12-mile dead-end road in a high-risk wildfire and mudslide zone is unsafe. The U.S. Forest Service pause this project until a thorough emergency evacuation plan is fully integrated into the final decision. Public safety must come before development.