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RE: County Line Project

Dear Karen,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the United States Forest Service (USFS) Aspen-Sopris Ranger District notice of proposed action for the County Line Project. Roaring Fork Conservancy (RFC) encourages protection of valuable water resources throughout implementation of this project.

On October 3, 2018 RFC staff attended the public meeting regarding the County Line Project and discussed how it relates to and could potentially impact local water resources in the Fourmile, Thompson, and Crystal Watersheds. Also discussed were USFS plans and procedures to minimize or mitigate those impacts.

RFC commends USFS attention to protecting water resources throughout this project including plans to minimize potential impacts. RFC respectfully requests USFS implement and adhere to established, applicable best management practices throughout this project such as: maintaining stream and riparian buffers, implementing sediment and erosion control, and conducting ecological review, assessment, and monitoring. Please continue to prioritize water resources and water quality throughout implementation of this project.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely

Rick Lofaro
Executive Director

Chad Rudow
Water Quality Program Manager

