

objection to proposed quarry at Hitch Rack Ranch - #M2017-049

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To Amy Eschberger,

I am e-mailing you to oppose the proposed quarry at Hitch Rack Ranch - #M2017-049 - on Hwy 115. .

Most of the proposed quarry site and access road are contained within the Aiken Canyon Potential Conservation Area. This area is a prime birding destination with over 100 species of birds. It is also habitat for the Mexican Spotted Owl, a federally-listed threatened species. It is also home to a rapidly declining Pinon-Juniper plant community.

The area for the proposed quarry represents a link between the mountains and the prairies. The implementation of a mining facility would damage the conservation values of this landscape.

I do oppose the quarry because of the detrimental effects it will have on wildlife, plants and unique habitat.

Thank you, Jacqueline Heyda 18650 Arrowwood Drive Monument, CO. 80132 719-487-8485