
Douglas Mtn Ranch Mine #2018-016 Letter of Opposition

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Hi Peter:

Well, the deadline for letters regarding the Douglas Mtn mine has arrived. Thank you for taking the time to review all the letters that have come to your regarding this project. Please let me know the next step in the DRMS process of reviewing this permit application.

Please find attached a letter showcasing Friends of Clear Creeks online petition through change.org that has jointly over 1400 signatures opposing this project. Also attached are recent pictures I took in the last 10 days of the big horn sheep that migrate through the Douglas Mountain Plateau and cross Hwy 40.

Thank you for all your hard work.

Best Regards and Merry Christmas,

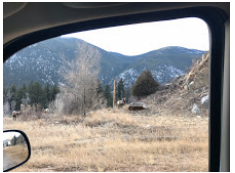
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December 18, 2008

Dear Mr. Hays:

Thank you for all your work on examining the pros and cons of the proposed Douglas Mountain Mine permit application. Please see below a copy of Friends of Clear Creek's online petition in opposition to the Douglas Mtn Mine Project. We presently have over 1400 signatures, 1200+ online signatures and 200+ paper petition signatures, all from concerned individuals who desire to preserve this plateau, the big horn sheep, elk, eagles and peregrine falcon that call this plateau and surrounding areas home. We respectfully ask the DRMS to decline permitting this application as a mining operation is not in the best interest of the people of Clear Creek County nor the wildlife that inhabit this area.

Also, please review the attached photos that I recently took at the junction of Hwy 40 heading East out of Empire just before the junction to head toward Georgetown, county road 57. This is the proposed route for up to 300 gravel trucks per day that would come out of the Douglas Mountain Mining operation and enter the I-70 corridor. This is the migratory route of the Tier 1 big horn sheep population that lambs on the Douglas Mtn plateau. This area is already the #1 location for auto/big horn sheep collisions in the STATE. Permitting this mining operation would literally DECIMATE the Big horn sheep population that is recognized as our state animal. These pictures were taken on December 7th, 2018 and December 12, 2018.

Please let me know of the next step in the DRMS procedural process regarding this project. Thank you again for your time.

Best Regards,

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Respect and Protect Nature and the Communities of Clear Creek County, Colorado



[Friends of Clear Creek](#) started this petition to [Clear Creek County Planning Commissioner Adam Springer](#) and 2 others

- We, Friends of Clear Creek, are in opposition to the development of the Douglas Mountain strip mining project. If approved the development would destroy the 150 acre plateau that is in the heart of Clear Creek County and adjacent to the town of Empire, CO. During the next 25-30 years it would create air, noise, light and water pollution, add up to 300 gravel trucks/day onto the I-70 corridor, decimate the habitat of the largest Big Horn Sheep population in the state of Colorado, deplete local water resources of Bard Creek and Clear Creek, negatively impact the Easter Seals Rocky Mountain Village Camp that services 1200+ special needs individuals yearly and decrease the opportunity for tourism in the county.
- Our desired goal is for this plateau to be preserved forever as open space where wildlife will continue to thrive and future generations can enjoy our natural heritage.
- **1,275 have signed.** Let's get to 1,500!

