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Section 13- Cañon City/Fremont County mining claims1 message

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I am writing to recommend that the Section 13 be refused to Zephyr Minerals for mining exploration. This area is integral to recreation in the area, and significant local resources have been invested in the development of recreational trails in this area. Mining would not contribute significantly to the *local* economy and the development of mining could irreparably damage the fast-growing recreation economy that is finally improving Cañon City's economy. Zephyr Minerals is a Canadian corporation, meaning that profits will certainly not stay local, let alone national. Though they own mineral rights in the area, allowing further area for mining exploration is of no public benefit to the people who live here, and may tip the balance for the profitability of the area to allow mining to begin. This would contribute to an area already blighted by significant nearby quarry surface removal (Fremont Peak). The increase in resource exploitation by multinational corporations in this area poses a serious threat to the economic development and desirability of Cañon City, whose benefit should be prioritized as the group with the greatest current investment in the area.

Thank you for your consideration
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