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Mr. Cazier,

I would like to comment on the proposed mineral exploration in the Grape Creek area.

As you probably know, the Grape Creek watershed and contiguous lands are some of the most intact wild and scenic public lands in the region. It provides habitat and range to a number of wildlife species and provides a number of back country recreational opportunities for residents and tourists.

I speak from personal experience, having enjoyed hiking and camping along Grape Creek in summer and winter over a number of years. Its remoteness is wonderful to experience as is the wildlife.

The proposal is within BLM' Grape Creek Area of Critical Environmental Concern currently being managed and protected as a corridor significant naturalness character. It is truly a gem for locals and tourists to enjoy as is.

It would be a tragedy to allow mineral exploration that includes helicopters, helicopter pad construction, pipelines, etc. and urge you NOT to approve the proposed exploration.

Thank you.

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