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## #P2020002 - Zephyr Mining exploration permit in the Grape Creek area

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Laurie <laurie.haak@gmail.com> To: tim.cazier@state.co.us Mon, Apr 27, 2020 at 4:29 PM

Dear Mr. Cazier,

I would like to voice my strong opposition to allowing Zephyr Minerals to engage in gold mining exploration in the Grape Creek area (permit #P2020002). I have hiked in this beautiful and unique area and I believe that it would be a travesty to spoil it with this type of activity. Past mining exploration has left enough unsightly and long-lasting scars on this otherwise wild and pristine area.

Please respect the wildness of the area, the abundant wildlife that make Grape Creek their home, the relatively unspoiled riparian corridor, the quality of water that flows directly into the Arkansas River, and the nearby neighbors who would have to deal with the noise of helicopters flying around for the proposed around-the-clock mining exploration.

Allowing mining exploration in the Grape Creek Wilderness study area would pretty much preclude any other use of the area so please do not allow this to happen.

Respectfully submitted,

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