



COLORADO
**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**
Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman St. Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

September 11, 2020

Ben Langenfeld
Greg Lewicki and Associates
3375 W. Powers Circle
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**Re: Kilgore Companies, Inc.; Peak Ranch Resource; M2020-041;
Notice of Objections to Construction Materials Regular (112) Amendment Application**

Mr. Langenfeld,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received timely objections to the Peak Ranch Resource application, File M2020-041. The objections were received within the public comment period which began on August 28, 2020.

Timely objections received:

| Date(s) of Objection | First Name | Last Name | Topic |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 09/07/20 | Charles | Babbitt | Traffic - extend bike trail |
| 09/08/20 | Allen | Gordon | list |
| 09/08/20 | Patti | Worthen | list |
| 09/08/20 | Erin and Mattias | Nordlof | list |
| 09/09/20 | Nancy | Duplan | poor GW well/GW impacts |
| 09/09/20 | Michele | Higgen | GW impacts |
| 09/09/20 | Cari | Mankowski | Traffic/wildlife/SW |
| 09/09/20 | Richard | Dow | list |
| 09/09/20 | Karen | Loro | GW impacts |
| 09/09/20 | Sara | Sullivan | list |
| 09/10/20 | Mike | Grady | list |
| 09/11/20 | David and Patty | Belletete | list |
| 09/11/20 | Jeff | Harris | traffic/land use |
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Copies of the written objections are enclosed for your records pursuant to Rule 1.7.1(3). These objections can also be viewed at: <https://dnrweblink.state.co.us/drms/search.aspx?dbid=0>

If you have any questions, please contact me at eric.scott@state.co.us.

Sincerely,



Eric Scott

Environmental Protection Specialist

Ec: Michael Cunningham; DRMS



Peak Materials Application for Sand and Gravel Mining in Silverthorne

1 message

CHARLES BABBITT <cdbabbitt@comcast.net>
To: "drms.temp@state.co.us" <drms.temp@state.co.us>

Mon, Sep 7, 2020 at 4:56 PM

I just read the notice of application filed by Peak Materials for commencement of sand and gravel mining operations on the Peak Ranch site. While I realize that there is a need for Peak Materials products in Summit County, I would like to point out an adverse impact that will impact the thousands of cyclists who enjoy riding bicycles from Silverthorne to Ute Pass Road, up Ute Pass Road and back to Silverthorne. This is a popular ride enjoyed by both visitors and local residents. The impacts can be mitigated.

Truck traffic from Peak Materials Maryland Creek Ranch (MCR) site has proven to be a continuous problem for cyclists returning from Ute Pass Road and Heeney along the shoulder of Highway 9 for years. Although the drivers are careful and considerate of cyclists, the trucks continuously spill material along the road which is pushed onto the shoulder by traffic, causing a hazard to cyclists. This hazard currently exists southward from the Peak Materials plant located at MCR. The proposal would extend it 4 or 5 miles to the new location because trucks would now be transporting materials from the proposed mining site to the processing plant.

I would suggest that as a condition of issuing the permit, the applicant be required to extend the recreation path northward from its terminus in Silverthorne to the norther boundary of the proposed site.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Charles Babbitt
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(no subject)

1 message

Allen Gordon <AllenSGordon@msn.com>
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Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 12:06 PM

8 September 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

[1313 Sherman St.](#)

Denver, CO 80203

RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

As a resident, living in northern Summit County near Peak Materials Maryland Creek processing plant, I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a new gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource and continue gravel processing operations at their existing Maryland Creek Ranch plant.

As a resident negatively impacted by current operations, I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

1. Wildlife safety and migration (including the Blue River fishery),
2. Air quality in the Lower Blue River Valley,
3. Safety hazards, and noise and air pollution, created from 230 truck trips per day to and from Peak Ranch Resource and Peak's processing plant near Maryland Creek Ranch in Silverthorne,
4. The contravening of protections from Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan, which deems any industrial activity is antithetical to the natural, rural, and economic values and sustainability of the Blue River Valley and forever protected from development by conservation easements.

It is time for gravel operations to come to an end in the Blue River Valley.

I wish to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time, location and format for this meeting.

Sincerely,

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Peak Materials in Summit County

1 message

Patti Worthen <psworthen@hotmail.com>
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Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 6:55 PM

September 8, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

[1313 Sherman St.](#)

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RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

Dear Committee,

I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource. I have owned property only a few miles south of the proposed site on the same side of highway 9 and use the highway in both north and south directions from my property. My property backs onto forest service land, so my familiarity with the wildlife in the area is acute.

The open land existing in our county is critical habitat for our wildlife. Their lives are impacted by noise, pollution, and the disruption to their territory. Homes and farms along the Route 9 corridor allow the wildlife to traverse the land, access fresh water, and inhabit their native lands. The Maryland Creek Ranch mining project affected the native inhabitants, disrupts local traffic and recreational travel, and creates road and wildlife hazards. The new location exists farther from town and developments requiring not only destruction of the existing habitat but also creating severe danger to travel along the route between mining and processing- which was not part of the Maryland Plant proposal or plan. Route 9 is already the most dangerous road in the state. I can see and hear the traffic from my property and experience first-hand the hazardous conditions and insidious noise created by truck traffic. Evidence of skid marks, accidents, and dead wildlife litter the roadway. Personally, I have encountered the risks created by the existing trucks on the road from careless drivers, the rocks and debris from the materials trucks, the potholes and fractures to the road surface, and know an additional 230 trips per day will devastate the road both in wear and tear, dangers to other drivers, cyclists, pedestrians and the ever present wildlife that cross to find fresh water or retreat to the hills on either side. I feed the birds in my neighborhood and am proud of the thriving populations I have helped to nurture. Birds are affected by sound and of course the disruptions to their nesting and ground feeding lands. Flocks of migratory and year-round native birds will be impacted as much as the ground living wildlife- deer, mountain lion, elk, bear, skunk, racoons, coyote, fox, mountain goats and every manner of insect and snake native to this area. The permit Peak sought for this operation at Maryland Creek did not include massive imports of materials- it was for the materials onsite and a little material brought in from excavations by local construction projects. This 15 or so year add -on plan will ruin the habitat forever- Peak does not and have not fully restored any of the previous sites as promised (the east side of 9 when Peak first began still looks like junk with piles of debris and affected the flow of the Blue - and the wildlife lost, disturbed, or relocated will never be fully restored. The route was not constructed with the intent to accommodate this kind of travel with narrow lanes, no turning lanes at most intersections, few crossings for wildlife, and the general maintenance is already inadequate. One major accident on this road will halt traffic potentially for days- and like

we saw with the wildfire at Glenwood Springs when much traffic was rerouted up 9 - heavier traffic is very impactful to residents. We live miles from town to appreciate the natural beauty, quiet, and resources for fishing, camping, hiking, horse-back riding, and other forms of recreational land use. This property was never intended for heavy construction development. Contiguous properties will suffer, as will others who use the surrounding area for outdoor recreation. The fact that Peak has a processing plant does not give them the authority or privilege to disturb our community and lifestyle anymore. If the Maryland Creek site is used up, then it is time for them- as originally proposed - to move on and find a less impactful site to mine.

I wish to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. My land and my lifestyle will be severely affected by ongoing operations between this proposed site and the process location at Maryland Creek. I am a 28-year homeowner and would like to have my voice heard in this matter. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time, and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Patti Worthen

1256 Blue Ridge Rd

Silverthorne CO 80498

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I am a full time resident with family that comes to visit to appreciate the lifestyle my property offers as a contrast to their busy city lives. So although I am just 1 person, my voice is for the children in my family who have been coming here for the past 28 years.

September 8th, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St.
Denver, CO 80203
RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

We are writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

We are specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

- We have well water and am concerned that this will impact both the quantity and quality.
- Wildlife in the area deserve to live in peace, and this new operation will absolutely negatively impact them!
- The Blue is a pure and natural source that will absolutely be polluted by such an operation.
- The reclamation plan is EXTREMELY inadequate.
- Up to 230 one-way gravel truck trips a day for most of the year creates a HUGE safety hazard for people and wildlife in the area along a long stretch of road.

Furthermore, it is irresponsible for the government and private entities to put a gravel mine in the middle of a rural agricultural valley. Specifically because:

- There is Federally protected Wilderness on BOTH sides and thousands of acres of County protected open space (we will no longer enjoy because of noise, lack of safety and pollution).
- There are thousands of acres of working ranches FOREVER protected by development by conservation easements that will be impacted.
- We are lucky enough to have an ex-Gold Medal trout river, re-seeking that status (which will bring more prestige and thus, tourism dollars to our area), which will certainly not be able to achieve.
- All the People and Wildlife in the NO INDUSTRIAL area will be negatively affected by the newly created noise and air pollution that will result from the trucking trips (over 200 a day!); Mining operations have proven negative ecological impacts.
- Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan itself deems any industrial activity in direct opposition to the natural, rural and economic values of our valley and their future sustainability.

We wish to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Erin and Mattias Nordlof

Erin and Mattias Nordlof (and kids Linnea and Svea Nordlof)

2044 Pebble Creek Rd (aka cr1351 lot 5)
Silverthorne, CO 80498



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September 10, 2020

Erin and Mattias Nordlof
2044 Pebble Creek Rd/CR 1351 Lot 5
Silverthorne CO 80498

Re: Kilgore Companies; Peak Ranch Resource; Objection Letter

Erin and Mattias Nordlof,

On September 8, 2020 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received your objection letter for the proposed Peak Ranch Resource reclamation permit, M2020-041. In order to be considered a party to the application process, you must provide your phone number pursuant to Rule 1.7.1(2)(a). Please provide the Division with your phone number by the close of the public comment period on October 8, 2020.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at eric.scott@state.co.us or (303) 229-9414.

Sincerely,

Eric Scott
Environmental Protection Specialist

Ec: Michael Cunningham; DRMS





File M2020041

1 message

Nancy Duplan <scubanancy@yahoo.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 1:35 PM

September 9, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St
Denver, CO. 80203
Re: Application by Peak Ranch Resource. (File No. M2020041

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to seek Party status regarding Peak Materials proposed plan to dig a gravel Pit along Highway 9. I am a resident of Elk Run, the housing area that Peak Materials failed to recognize as an development affected by the mine. There are 30 homesites built on this terminus of a glacier from the Ute Mountains 73,000,000 years ago. This Cretaceous layer of Pierre Shale according to nrc.gov has a confining layer.

"Compared with ground -water flow rates in the aquifers, small leakage in the confining layer can be quite small (as in household wells). However the confining layer leakage can be important. Over large areas with significant vertical hydraulic gradients, even very small hydraulic conductivity permit significant amounts of leakage, this leakage in turn may control the regional flow."

Pictures say a thousand words. This is a photo of the water in the bottom of my 500 gal storage tank in July 2020. I hauled water for a month before my well recovered from current drought conditions affecting all Colorado. The neighbor next door drilled 3 wells before he could get water for his new home and even then the well production is at a slow rate. This is not unusual for the neighborhood. Many people had to dig more than once to get a producing well and even those residents living here for many years had to re-dig wells.

To quote Peak Ranch application to the mining board:

"Peak Materials, first and foremost, is committed to protecting the quality and quantity of water in the Blue River, IN THE ALUVIAL AQUIFIER UNDERLYING THE PERMIT PROPERTY, AND IN NEARBY GROUND WELLS."

The application should stop right here. Their study only includes 600 ft. within their proposed pit. If you remove 400,000 ton of rock yearly for 10 years this will substantially disturb the wells within more than 600 ft.

I could voice many more objections but I feel I do not need to. Any conscientious member of the board would deny this permit on the total misrepresentation of its effect on the community. Thank you for your consideration of my equal status with Peak Resources to the ability to have well water in this contiguous alluvial plain.

Sincerely,

Nancy Duplan, CRNA

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Household members 2

Sent from my iPhone



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Peak Ranch Resource Application

1 message

MICHELE Higgen <michelehig@msn.com>

Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 4:26 PM

To: "drms.temp@state.co.us" <drms.temp@state.co.us>

9 Sept 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St.
Denver, CO 80203
RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to seek NON-Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for this reason:

To cause irreversible damage to the water supply of homeowners that will be affected by the mine, is irresponsible. The homeowners chose that area because they were seeking a lifestyle minimally affected by the industrial world. There was a price to pay for that choice which they chose to pay. By robbing them of the freedom to enjoy that type of lifestyle, by destroying their water source, not only brings home values down, but likewise discourages the development of such communities in the future, in the absence of a promise/guarantee that a resource, as valuable as water, could be disrupted. Other sites, less disruptive to established communities, seems the more responsible avenue to take.

I wish MY OPINION be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,
Michele Higgen

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Application of Peak Ranch Resource

1 message

Cari Elizabeth <carihuffine@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 11:39 AM

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
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RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons: My family owns over 1,000 ft of Highway 9 frontage which will be directly impacted by the estimated 230 semi loads daily to and from the mine. We live at this property and have small children whose schedule will be disrupted significantly by the noise of the semi trucks and their use of air brakes in front of our property. Our right of peaceful enjoyment of our property will be significantly diminished due to the excess traffic created by the mine on a public road.

The Blue River Valley is a pristine location with abundant wildlife, and is also a migratory path for many herds of elk, deer and also moose. This mine will directly impact the wildlife in this location and disrupt migration patterns.

The cleanliness of the Blue River and its status as a gold medal fishery will be directly impacted by the run of this mine will no doubt create.

I wish to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time, location and format for this meeting.

Sincerely,
Cari Mankowski
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Letter of Objection to Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Richard Dow <dow007@cox.net>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 5:57 PM

9-9-20

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St.
Denver, CO 80203
RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

I believe a gravel mine in the Lower Blue River Valley will adversely impact:

Water well water quantity and/or quality,(wells may eventually run dry due to mining)
Wildlife (including the Blue River fishery)
Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate
230 one-way gravel truck trips a day for 8 months a year back and forth to Maryland Creek for processing, creates a safety hazard for humans and wildlife, potential for vehicles to collide with wildlife, bikers to get run over by gravel trucks, and gravel trucks to collide with cars entering and exiting the various subdivisions between the proposed mine and Maryland Creek.

Also it's bad idea to put a gravel mine in the middle of a rural agrarian valley with:

- Federal Wilderness on both sides,
- 1000s of acres of County protected open space,
- 1000s of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements,
- An ex-Gold Medal trout river re-seeking that status,
- Wildlife and people who will be adversely impacted by the noise and air pollution created by 230 one way gravel truck trips a day for 8 months a year back and forth to Maryland Creek,
- No existing industrial activity,
- Inherent protection from Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan which deems any industrial activity antithetical to the natural, rural, and economic values of the valley, and their sustainability.

Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Richard and Margaret Dow
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FILE: M 2020041 OBJECTION tPEAK MATERIALS proposed Gravel Pit along Hwy 9

1 message

Karen Loro <nettlesk@me.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 9:17 PM

Sept-9-2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

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RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

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I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

The Cretaceous layer of Pierre Shale according to [nrc.gov](#) has a confining layer.

“Compared with ground -water flow rates in the aquifers, small leakage in the confining layer can be quite small (as in household wells). However the confining layer leakage can be important. Over large areas with significant vertical hydraulic gradients, even very small hydraulic conductivity permit significant amounts of leakage, this leakage in turn may control the regional flow.”

I have friends who live in the Elk Run area . Based on substantial research regarding ground water and the fact that the impact of this project did not address impact to this housing area , I am writing this letter of GREAT oncern . Per one lot owner... "Many people had to dig more than once to get a producing well and even those residents living here for many years had to re-dig wells.

To quote Peak Ranch 's application to the mining board:

“Peak Materials, first and foremost, is committed to protecting the quality and quantity of water in the Blue River, IN THE ALUVIAL AQUIFIER UNDERLYING THE PERMIT PROPERTY, AND IN NEARBY GROUND WELLS.”

Their study only includes 600 ft. within their proposed pit. If you remove 400,000 ton of rock yearly for 10 years this will substantially disturb the wells within more than 600 ft.

I wish MY OPINION be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation

Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Sullivan, Sarah <Sarah.Sullivan@efirstbank.com>
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Cc: sarah sullivan <ssullivan80424@gmail.com>

Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 9:06 PM

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
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RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

i believe a gravel mine in the Lower Blue River Valley will adversely impact:

- Your water well water quantity and/or quality,
- Wildlife (including the Blue River fishery),
- That Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate (which it is),
- Even though DRMS is not required to address highway safety, that 230 one-way gravel truck trips a day for 8 months a year back and forth to Maryland Creek for processing, creates a safety hazard for humans and wildlife, potential for vehicles to collide with wildlife, bikers to get run over by gravel trucks, and gravel trucks to collide with cars entering and exiting the various subdivisions between the proposed mine and Maryland Creek.

It is a bad idea it is to put a gravel mine in the middle of a rural agrarian valley with:

- Federal Wilderness on both sides,
- 1000s of acres of County protected open space,
- 1000s of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements,
- An ex-Gold Medal trout river re-seeking that status,
- Wildlife and people who will be adversely impacted by the noise and air pollution created by 230 one way gravel truck trips a day for 8 months a year back and forth to Maryland Creek,
- No existing industrial activity,
- Inherent protection from Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan which deems any industrial activity antithetical to the natural, rural, and economic values of the valley, and their sustainability.

I wish to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

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Household = 3



Sarah Sullivan

Assistant Vice President

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1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

September 11, 2020

Sara Sullivan
57 Blue Ridge Rd
Silverthorne CO 80498

Re: Kilgore Companies; Peak Ranch Resource; Incomplete Objection Letter

Ms Sullivan,

On September 9, 2020 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received your objection letter for the proposed Peak Ranch Resource reclamation permit, M2020-041. The phone number you provided was incomplete (303-26?-8618). In order to be considered a party to the application process, you must provide your phone number pursuant to Rule 1.7.1(2)(a). Please provide the Division with your phone number by the close of the public comment period on October 8, 2020.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at eric.scott@state.co.us or (303) 229-9414.

Sincerely,

Eric Scott
Environmental Protection Specialist

Ec: Michael Cunningham; DRMS





RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Mike Grady <mikegrady100@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Thu, Sep 10, 2020 at 3:18 PM

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RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to seek NON-Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

1. We chose to live in this area based on the natural beauty of the valley.
2. It will adversely affect wildlife.
3. It will adversely affect the river which is seeking to restore its Gold designation. As a fly fisherman, I am highly concerned this will negatively impact the river all the way and into Green Mountain Reservoir.
4. Traffic on County Road 9 will become more dangerous. We already have concerns where we turn left into our development out of Silverthorne. Our understanding is that approximately 230 aggregate trucks will be passing our development daily. This will increase the danger of accidents.
5. This goes completely against the Summit County Lower Blue Master Plan which was designed to keep the valley non-industrial.
6. There is federal wilderness on both sides of the valley and no existing industrial activity.

I wish MY OPINION be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Michael Grady
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[Silverthorne, CO 80498](#)

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2 persons in household



RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Patty - Alpine Events <patty@alpine-events.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Fri, Sep 11, 2020 at 8:38 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to seek NON-Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

1. We chose to live in this area 22 year ago based on the natural beauty of the valley.
2. It will adversely affect wildlife.
3. It will adversely affect the river which is seeking to restore its Gold designation. I am highly concerned this will negatively impact the river and possibly are Wells.
4. Traffic on County Road 9 will become more dangerous. We already have concerns where we turn left into our development out of Silverthorne. Our understanding is that approximately 230 aggregate trucks will be passing our development daily. This will increase the danger of accidents.
5. This goes completely against the Summit County Lower Blue Master Plan which was designed to keep the valley non-industrial.
6. There is Federal Wilderness on both sides of the valley and no existing industrial activity.

I wish OUR OPINION to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,
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2 person in Household



Peak Ranch Resource Gravel Pit

1 message

Jeff Harris <captjeffharris@aol.com>
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Fri, Sep 11, 2020 at 9:37 AM

September 11, 2020

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RE: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

To whom it may concern,
I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:
Approx increase of +230 trucks/day traveling on county 2 lane roads never designed for such use.
The protections from Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan, which deems any industrial activity is antithetical to the natural, rural, and economic values and sustainability of the Blue River Valley and forever protected from development by conservation easements. As a nearby resident I would be adversely impacted by from noise and air pollution created by 230 truck trips per day to and from the Peak Ranch Resource and the Peak processing plant near Maryland Creek Ranch in Silverthorne.

Frankly gentlemen, at some point common sense must play a role in this. Take a look. Is this really the place anyone in Colorado thinks makes sense for an 80 acre gravel pit? If so, what's next? Maybe a chemical waste dump on the Blue River?

I wish to be heard at the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time, location and format for this meeting.

Sincerely,
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