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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.

On behalf for Friends of the Lower Blue River, we are specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

- This proposed project slaps in the face of the Summit County Master Plan for the Lower Blue River Valley.
- This project risks more than just our pristine valley, it could impact the Colorado watershed environment which serves 40-million people downstream.
- The effect on the wildlife is very real considering both elk and mule deer migrate through this part of the valley.
- As a homeowner, we believe digging will compromise the area water table affecting my well water supply and those of my neighbors directly up hill and across the highway from Peak Ranch Resource.

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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