



Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

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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 directly aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

1. Economic value of land. As a landowner at [630 Ute Pass Road](#), within audible and visual distance of the proposed mine, my property value will plummet sharply as a result of air, water, noise, and light pollution from the mining activity. When purchasing this property, I relied upon the pristine nature of this agrarian valley both for the enjoyment of the property, and in it's retention of value for resale property.
2. Conservation interest. The Lower Blue Master Plan, as published by Summit County, has, for many years specified this pristine land be utilized for agrarian, residential and recreational use. This mining operation will reverse a decades old trend in the area to preserve a delicate and precious ecosystem. I specifically purchase my property at [630 Ute Pass Road](#) with the intention of no further development of the land, and careful non-interference with wild local flora and fauna.
3. Recreational interest. I first experienced the pristine beauty of the Lower Blue River valley on a national TransAmerican bicycle ride. The ACA's transam route travels along highway 9. I can say, without exaggeration, that this valley is the most beautiful twenty miles in the entire nation that I rode across. So beautiful, in fact, that I decided to move here. I ride my bicycle daily along highway nine. The idea of 230 dump trucks per day barreling down the road, ejecting gravel and aggregate is a major safety hazard and will completely impair my ability to use the area for recreation.

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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