

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

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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.

I am specifically aggrieved by this proposed project because the proposed separation of the existing mill site near Silverthonre and the new proposed pit excavation at Ute Pass Road would significantly increase heavy truck traffic along a roughly 10 mile stretch of CO Highway 9 by 460 heavy haul truck trips per day. My specific concerns regarding this increase in heavy truck traffic include the following.

(1). I have two children that are soon-to-be drivers. Increasing traffic on this road and in front of our inlet/outlet road (UTE PARK ROAD) by 460 heavy haul trucks per day will dramatically increase the chance of catastrophic accident for all drivers (including my two soon-to-be drivers).

(2). This 10 mile stretch of road is some the most beautiful in the state and is bordered on the West AND East sides by National Forest but also by National Wilderness land AND the Blue River. The proposed dramatic increase in heavy truck traffic will harm the character of this area and cause irreparable damage to wildlife, the blue river fishery, river water, well water, reservoir water (Green Mountain Reservoir), and recreation (hunting, fishing, biking, hiking etc.).

All in all the proposed gravel pit at Ute Pass Road is a change in character for this area and is bad for the environment AND the residents the area, the county, and the state. I am against this for all of the above-outlined reasons and more.

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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There are 4 people in my household.