



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

1313 Sherman St. Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

October 7, 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 and ends October 8, 2020.

Timely objections received:

Date(s) of Objection	First Name	Last Name	Topic – see attached letter for specific issues presented.
10/01/20	Jonathan	Knopf - FOLBR	land use, wildlife, GW, SW
10/01/20	Ann	Clement	traffic, noise, land use
10/01/20	David	Matthews	traffic, noise, land use
10/02/20	Harlan	Sorkin	list
10/02/20	Ann	Damian	air, traffic, land use
09/23/20	Lori	O'Bryan	list
09/28/20	Michael	Miller	wildlife, GW, land use
10/02/20	Adam	Poe	traffic, land use, noise, wildlife
10/02/20	Jay	Browne	traffic, land use, noise, wildlife
10/02/20	Penelope	Francis	traffic, GW, SW
10/02/20	Jim	McCotter	air, traffic, land use, wildlife, SW
10/04/20	Donna	Clark	traffic, noise, land use
10/04/20	Laura	Glise	traffic, wildlife, SW, air
10/04/20	Jane	Bruce	list
10/04/20	Theanna	Server	list
10/04/20	Susan	Knopf	list
10/05/20	David	Broadway	list



10/05/20	Mark	Rogers	Land use, traffic, SW
10/05/20	Michael	Evans	list
10/05/20	Paul and Mary	Seid	traffic, SW
10/05/20	John	Le Coq	land use
10/05/20	Brian	Taylor	list
10/05/20	Daniel	Zaloom	list
10/05/20	Souix	Barr	list
10/05/20	Mary Anne	Johnston	list
10/05/20	Caitlin	Schultz	list
10/05/20	William	Grady	list
10/05/20	Peter	Kleinman	list
10/05/20	Adam and Ann	Poe	traffic, wildlife, land use
10/05/20	Kim	Onasch	land use, GW
10/05/20	Charles	Winch	list
10/05/20	Sally	Philbrook	list
10/06/20	Toni	Napolitano	list
10/06/20	Rick	Post	list
10/06/20	Alyse	Pilburn	list
10/06/20	Julie	Hodges	GW, traffic, environment
10/06/20	Jarisse	Sanborn	list
10/06/20	Pam	Moret	list
10/06/20	Justin	White	list
10/06/20	Hank	Wiethake	list
10/06/20	Ryan	Anderson	list
10/06/20	Ellen	Yeiser	GW, wildlife, rec plan, traffic
10/06/20	John	Norton	list
10/06/20	John	Connor II	traffic, land use
10/06/20	Leigh	Girvin	land use
10/06/20	Jon	Harrington	land use, noise
10/06/20	Carol	Bell	land use

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



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October 1, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St.
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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.

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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From: Clement Ann almclement@comcast.net
Subject: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)
Date: October 1, 2020 at 1:42 PM
To: drms.temp@state.co.us.
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October 1, 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, as persons with "Party" status, to share our thoughts, concerns and opposition to the Peak Ranch Resource 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:

1. **Safety hazards created from 230 truck trips per day to and from Peak Ranch Resource and Peak's processing plant near Maryland Creek Ranch in Silverthorne**
2. **Residents who will 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**

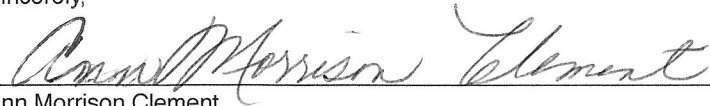
Highway 9 is a narrow two lane highway that serves the residents in the Lower Blue Valley, many tourists traveling from Silverthorne to Kremling/Steamboat/Winter Park areas, and bicyclists riding on the shoulders. This highway is already impacted year round by cars, trucks, camper/RVs, vans, commercial trucks and bicyclists. Emergency services by police/sheriff, EMT, ambulances, and firetrucks on Highway 9 are significantly impacted by current traffic. The current Williams Fork fire and other fires contribute to even more dangerous situations on Highway 9. The significant impact of so many trucks on wildlife by the noise, air pollution, and dangerous wildlife crossings.

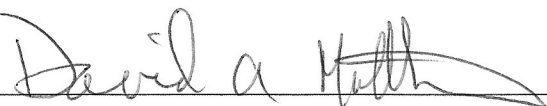
In addition, we are concerned about the significant impact on the Federal Wilderness areas on both sides of the Highway 9 corridor. There are thousands of acres of County protected Open Space and thousands of acres of ranch land protected from development of conservation easements. The restoration of the Blue River as a Gold Medal trout stream is an environmental priority. The natural beauty of the area is at risk. The protections from Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan to protect the Blue River Valley continues to be a priority.

Please add us to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time, location and format for this meeting for the public hearing of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board when the Board takes up this application. We do not wish to testify at the hearing.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our written comments.

Sincerely,


Ann Morrison Clement


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David Matthews

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2 persons in our household

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David Matthews, Ph.D.



Peak Ranch Resource Application Party Status

1 message

Harlee Sorkin <harlee@tracysorkin.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Fri, Oct 2, 2020 at 12:21 AM

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

Via email

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 aggrieved by this proposed project for a number of reasons:

- 230 one-way gravel truck trips per day for eight months of the year creates an unacceptable hazard for motorists, cyclists and wildlife, particularly for the smaller vehicles that enter and exit the residential and recreational ways along the route. It also will create undue wear and tear on our routes.
- It is antithetical to the natural condition of the Lower Blue River Valley and will cause irreparable damage to the federal wilderness surrounding the site, the protected open space, the wildlife and Blue River fishery, as well as conservation easements.
- The reclamation plan does not appear to be adequate.

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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Number of people in household: 5



Peak Ranch Resource Allocation

1 message

amdjmt@juno.com <amdjmt@juno.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Fri, Oct 2, 2020 at 11:00 AM

October 2, 2020

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 express my dismay 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. The air quality will be severely diminished, and my husband has asthma, plus we are both in our midsixties and enjoy having the ability to breath extremely clean air, one of the reasons we moved here from Denver in 1989.
2. Route 9 north of Denver is very dangerous already with much more traffic than when we moved here. In fact, my husband had a serious rollover accident on Route 9 north of Silverthorne in 1999, causing a traumatic brain injury, so the addition of 230 more trucks per day will only make this road much more dangerous than it already is. Slow trucks will continue to cause people to pass on double-yellow lines as occurs on a daily basis.
3. This is a peaceful agrarian valley with a lot of wildlife calling it home that will be disturbed only for the almighty dollar. And the noise pollution will be what displaces the wildlife forever, not to mention the disturbing of the Blue River. Even after 10 (or more) years, this valley will never be the same, so this project should be denied in its entirety in order to protect our peaceful way of life that we have known for decades.

Sincerely,

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September 23, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
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Denver, Colorado 80203

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

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in concern 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 disturbed by this proposed project for the reasons listed below:

1. My property and home are across the street from the proposed site which, if approved, will greatly impact my well resulting in loss of water for both my residence and horses.
2. My property is beyond the 600 feet. 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.
3. Mining of this kind will not only damage existing wells but the quality of water in the Blue River which flows into the Colorado and is used by numerous ranches down valley which depend on the Blue for their fields as well as cattle. The Colorado River District has been working to protect Western Colorado water. This is a direct attack against their efforts.
4. The amount of noise and dust pollution that will be created in the Lower Blue River Valley.
5. Increased traffic from Peak Ranch Resource to Peak's processing plant (they're saying a minimum 230 trucks daily) on an already busy one lane highway that is used for travel to and from Routt and Grand Counties as well as Summit. Another added source of pollution, noise, traffic congestion and accidents.
6. Reclamation is for future which is claimed to be a park but no indication as to who will be responsible for this area. They are presenting it as a future park for public use but it's private land.
7. Zoning is presently not for commercial use, thus setting a precedence to be used by future developers.
8. Wildlife safety and migration including the Blue River fishery.
9. What about their other permits in Summit and Grand County.

Please add me to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting. I trust you will take all this into consideration and in your decision making when reviewing the Peak Materials application.

Sincerely,

Lori J.B. O'Bryan

Lori J.B. O'Bryan
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September 28, 2020

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

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express opposition to the proposed gravel mine in the middle of a rural agrarian valley. We live within one mile of the proposed mine. Yesterday we watched a herd of over 100 elk that also share this valley. The proposed mine is contrary to all existing uses of this valley. Besides the wildlife safety and migration, our primary concern is the water well quantity and quality. The proposed mine cannot guarantee it will not affect our water wells. Therefore, the application should be denied based on the potential harm to numerous residential water wells in the immediate area.

We have lived here for over 25 years and have never had trouble with our water well. Please do not allow this potential water siphon to happen.

This mine is not in keeping with the valley's historic use. Please deny this permit!

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Michael E. Miller

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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Adam Poe <apoe@westernlandgroup.com>

Fri, Oct 2, 2020 at 11:18 AM

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

Cc: JOHN CONNOR <jjconnor2@msn.com>, "dheagney@heagney-enterprises.com" <dheagney@heagney-enterprises.com>, "btechcorp@comcast.net" <btechcorp@comcast.net>

PEBBLE CREEK RANCH FOUNDATION

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October 2, 2020

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

via e-mail: drms.temp@state.co.us

To Whom it May Concern,

We, the Board of Directors Pebble Creek Ranch Foundation ("PCRF"), are writing to seek Party status to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the Peak Ranch Resource site in Summit County, Colorado. We are writing on behalf of our 19 members (totaling approximately 76 persons) who own homes and property in the Pebble Creek Ranch subdivision in Summit County.

Pebble Creek Ranch is located approximately one mile west of State Highway 9 off Rock Road (CR 1351) which is in the middle of the six mile corridor within which Peak Material proposes to run 230 truck trips per day connecting the Peak Ranch Resource site and the existing processing plant at Maryland Creek. The disruption PCRF members will experience as a result of this project's truck traffic, noise, impacts to wildlife, impacts to recreation resources, and the overall environmental degradation in the Lower Blue Valley, establish our standing to participate in the DRMS's decision-making process.

A few of our specific objections to the project at this time are summarized below for your consideration. At the public hearing on this project we intend to provide testimony on these and other issues.

1. An application for the proposed project is premature. A Summit County Conditional Use Permit for the proposed project at the Peak Ranch Resource site must be obtained for this project to go forward. However, the application before DRMS ignores the fact that there is no where for the mined material to go for processing. The Maryland Creek processing facility is not allowed under the terms of Resolution No. 2016-08 of the Lower Blue Planning Commission (attached) which specifically provides under "2. Permitted Uses and Activities, L." "No raw materials may be imported onto the site,". Resolution No. 2016-08 goes on to state that the permit shall expire September 1, 2026 unless extended, which we believe has not occurred. Until the material to be extracted at the project site has a place to be processed, consideration by DRMS is premature and should not go forward.

2. The application lacks a comprehensive traffic and highway safety analysis. The application before DRMS includes a wildlife impact study which briefly mentions potential impacts to wildlife within the corridor between the Maryland Creek and Peak Ranch Resource site. However the application does not include a broader traffic and highway safety analysis. We believe this is a significant deficiency. A comprehensive traffic and safety analysis should examine: the impact of adding significant truck traffic from the project to the growing traffic within the corridor; safety concerns associated with turning movements onto the numerous side roads (including Rock Creek Road which is used by our members) in the absence of any turn lanes; the physical constraints to any future highway improvements associated with the Blue River and other natural features in the Lower Blue Valley; noise from 230 trucks per day passing through the corridor; safety concerns associated with conflicts between the increased truck traffic and recreational users (cyclists, fishermen, etc.) on SH 9; increased roadkill; and, other traffic and highway safety concerns.

Again, 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 us to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Pebble Creek Ranch Foundation Board of Directors

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

1 message

Jay <btechcorp@comcast.net>

Fri, Oct 2, 2020 at 11:49 AM

To: Adam Poe <apoe@westernlandgroup.com>, drms.temp@state.co.us

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AP...clearly this is headed to the protest letter Hall of Fame! Ol' JB

From: Adam Poe [mailto:apoe@westernlandgroup.com]

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OCT 2nd 2020

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

To Whom it may concern:

Please consider this letter as an Aggrieved Party opposing the application by Peak Ranch.

We own a property on Pebble Creek Ranch off Hwy 9 south of the proposed quarry at approximately 8 miles away.

We bought in the area for the tranquility, beauty, wildlife and the outstanding scenery of that area.

The existing quarry at Maryland Ranch on Hwy 9 has become a big ugly mess and feel the area does not need another big ugly mess up the road off Hwy 9 for the next 15 years.

The Blue River needs to be protected at all costs for the water supply, fishing and needs for the wildlife. The quarry is not environmentally responsible for that location.

Very importantly, especially for those who need access on to Rock Creek Road from Hwy 9, is the truck traffic. It has been estimated that 230 one way trucks will be passing that intersection daily from the new quarry to the Maryland processing quarry. This intersection is not safe as it is. Adding to it with tremendous truck traffic will create a road hazard. There is also the Blue River Campground by that intersection where holiday makers are in and out.

The quarry is creating an unsafe environment on Hwy 9, an unsafe environment for wildlife, an unsafe environment for the Blue river, an unsafe environment for well water. It is not appropriate for this area and should not be permitted.

Sincerely,

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Opposition to Peak Resource Application

1 message

Jim McCotter <jmccotter42@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Sat, Oct 3, 2020 at 5:45 PM

To the Ladies and Gentlemen of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. This letter is submitted by my wife and me in opposition to the Application of Peak Resource to construct and operate a Gravel Pit in Summit County along State Highway 9. We think a Gravel Pit would be a disaster for that rural part of Summit County

I am a native Coloradan, and in 1989 my wife, Carole, and I purchased property along the Heeney Road between Highway 9 and Heeney. A few years ago we transferred the property to our daughters, Heidi and Sage, but we continue to use and enjoy the property as if we were still owners.

While Silverthorne today is hardly recognizable from 30 plus years ago, and the traffic on Highway 9 has increased measurably, once the Everist Gravel Pit (now Peak Resource) is in our rear view mirror, we feel again how lucky we are to be driving in and to a part of Summit County that still has the open spaces which are ever more unique in the County given the past, planned and no doubt future development in the Keystone, Silverthorne, Dillon, Frisco, Breckenridge, and Copper Mountain areas.

Up until a couple years ago, every time we passed the Everist facility, we looked forward to the time it would presumably cease operations when the property's natural resources were exhausted. You can imagine our dismay when we learned that Peak Resource had acquired the Hillyard property from the widow of Gerry Hillyard (a childhood friend of mine), which has led to the permit application we strongly oppose.

Granting the permit would have a number of deleterious impacts on the quality of life in the Lower Blue River Valley, which the County has sought to protect through Open Space set asides, and which is also supported by Federal Wilderness and other areas on both sides of Highway 9. Air and water quality would certainly be negatively impacted by the proposed facility's operations, to say nothing of the potential safety and other issues caused by the estimated 230 daily loads of gravel hauled by large trucks. The Lower Blue's abundant fish and wildlife resources would hardly benefit from all of this!

We recognize that the Summit County is appropriately interested in attracting and fostering economic development opportunities. However, there have been and currently are a large number of those opportunities in Silverthorne, Dillon and their environs, and of course the rest of Summit. We respectfully suggest the Division should refrain from inflicting on the Lower Blue River Valley the very negative impacts of the proposed Peak Resource Pit application. A contrary result would create a very unfortunate precedent. We thank you for your consideration.

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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M202004)

1 message

Donna Clark <dclark0437@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Sun, Oct 4, 2020 at 9:47 AM

October 4, 2020

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:

The noise and traffic on Hwy. 9 is terrible in the summer and winter with everyone recreating. Those of us that live here in the country where the mining operation is going in can hardly get out onto the road to get into town or to go north, especially if you have to cross traffic on the Highway. It has also doubled the amount of time it takes to get into town. It becomes a very dangerous and frustrating situation. If the mining operation is allowed to happen the traffic will greatly increase with trucks moving back and forth, and the time to get into town will increase. Traffic will get slow, which in turn causes the tourists to become unglued and then they will be passing in all kinds of places, increasing the chances of accidents. They already drive 10-15 mph over the speed limit. If there were passing lanes, then maybe? But there aren't any and there isn't any money to expand our little highway. We just CAN'T have all that slow truck traffic on Hwy. 9 along with all the other crazy traffic.

Another problem is property value and extrinsic value of the housing areas in front and close by. There are more people out here than they think and they need to find an area that isn't so populated.

Please, please do not let them ruin the way of life out here. This mining operation cannot go through.

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,

Donna L. Clark

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Number of adults/people in my household: 3



Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Laura Glise <lglise87@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Sun, Oct 4, 2020 at 11:12 AM

October 4, 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 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 about traffic safety on Hwy 9 and the hazards that 230 truck trips per day will create between Peak Ranch Resource and Peak's processing plant near Maryland Creek Ranch in Silverthorne. My husband and I commute 30 miles along this road to work, volunteer, spend time with our families and to take our daughter to elementary school in Silverthorne. This highway is already dangerous enough with the weather conditions, wildlife, increased traffic, and reckless drivers.

The traffic on Hwy 9 has greatly increased in the 6 years we have lived in Spring Creek. Peak Materials is using outdated traffic studies, and not taking into account the growth of commuters on Hwy 9 in the last 5+ years. A majority of Summit County's workforce has been pushed out to rural areas, and neighboring counties due to the current housing bubble. Additionally, 230 truck trips a day will be detrimental to our commute, and will directly affect the workforce of Summit County, where businesses are already struggling to find employees. Between the proposed mining site, and the processing plant there is only 1 passing zone of which occurs in a neighborhood. This stretch of road does not have acceleration or deceleration lanes, and is already a dangerous place for these residents to enter and exit the highway. Moreover, I cannot imagine how dangerous it will be when reckless road ragers try to pass these aggregate hauling trucks while residents attempt to safely access their neighborhood. Additionally, there are several pull offs for camping, fishing, and boating where slow moving vehicles enter and exit the road. I do not feel it will be safe to have these heavy trucks unable to stop quickly when they come around blind corners and encounter slow moving vehicles.

It is my belief that if Peak Materials wishes to employ 230 trucks daily and utilize highway 9 for their monetary benefit then it is their responsibility to respect, protect and improve the highway, its established commuters and residents. Peak Materials needs to use an updated traffic study- one that is from the last 2 years, and does not include the time period of the 2020 shut down. They are not being realistic about how much traffic this stretch of road currently sees, nor the adverse effect of the addition of 230 truck trips daily. Peak Materials needs to be financially responsible for making safety improvements. This includes adding acceleration and deceleration lanes at Sierra Bosque neighborhood, and pull offs at the major National Forest access points along the highway. I also believe it is their moral responsibility to widen the Road to allow a safe passing zone at some point between their two destinations. It is incredibly unsafe for entire lines of traffic to try to pull out into oncoming traffic to get around these numerous slow moving trucks.

Aggressive drivers already pass on blind corners and double yellow lines. This safety issue will only be aggravated by the additional traffic Peak Materials will generate, and they need to be held accountable for the safety of the community in which they will impact. Unfortunately, it is my fear that the commute will be too great a danger, and add an impractical amount of time to my commute forcing me out of the community in which I wish to subside.

Being native to Summit County I am still making positive impacts in my community through my involvement in the work and school communities and giving countless hours to volunteer organizations. I have a stake in this community and do not want to be sequestered by a ventrurousome mining company jeopardizing the corridor connecting my home to my community. In addition to the safety hazards created from 230 truck trips per day to and from Peak Ranch Resource and Peak's processing plant near Maryland Creek Ranch in Silverthorne I am also aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

1. Wildlife safety and migration (including the Blue River fishery),
2. The Blue River waterway
3. Air quality in the Lower Blue River Valley

I wish to be notified of 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,

Laura Glise

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Silverthorne, CO 80459

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Number of people in your household- 3

Jane Bruce

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Silverthorne, CO 80498
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September 14, 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 to testify about the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Research.

I am aggrieved by this proposed project for the following Reasons:

As a home owner since 2001 just 3 parcels South of the proposed project there are many reasons why this project shouldn't go through. Hard to determine which ones are the most important as I see them as all being important. The reason most of us are so far out of town is due to the serenity that surrounds us. We can't imagine what it would be like with a gravel pit so close.

- 1) The noise pollution
- 2) The dust, that would be blown our way most of the time since it comes from the North, would not only effect the air quality we breath but would impact the livestock and also potentially dangerous particles being released into the environment.
- 3) My well water Quality and Quantity
- 4) The amount of trucks going in front of my place on a daily basis, up to 250. The traffic it would add. The dust it would generate, the noise it would add, as they are always shifting, the pitted windshields that would occur due to gravel falling off the trucks. The safety of bicycle riders on Hwy 9, they widened the road several years

ago which took out a big piece of the danger on the HWY. It would also erode the road due to all the trucks going back and forth.

- 5) Peaks reclamation plan is inadequate
- 6) It would be such an eye sore to the pristine valley, there should not be any industrial activity allowed, it goes against the grain of what that area is all about.
- 7) It would effect the wildlife in the area
- 8) It would effect the river and the habitat around it.
- 9) It will effect our property values
- 10) Increase security issues having more truck drivers and mining personal so close.

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 me of the date, time, and location for this meeting

Sincerely,

Jane Bruce

Jane Bruce

34985 Hwy 9 Silverthorne, CO

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number of persons in my household 1 (I am a widow)



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

1 message

Theanna Server <theannaserver@gmail.com>
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Sun, Oct 4, 2020 at 6:19 PM

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
[1313 Sherman St.](#)
[Denver, CO 80203](#)

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 proposal for the following reasons:

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

1. Residents' well water quantity and/ or quality
2. Wildlife including the Blue River fishery.
3. That Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate

Even though DRMS is not required to address highway safety, 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. Also creates potential for vehicles to collide with wildlife, bikers to get run over by travel trucks, and gravel trucks to collide with cars entering and exiting the various subdivisions between the proposed mine and Maryland Creek.

It is also a very bad idea to put a gravel mine in the middle of a rural agrarian Valley with:

1. Federal Wilderness on both sides.
2. 1000's of acres of County protected open space.
3. 1000's of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements.
4. An ex-Gold Medal trout river re-seeking that status.
5. 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.
6. No exist industrial activity.
7. Inherent protection from Summit Count's Lower Blue Master Plan which deems any industrial activity antithetical to the natural, rural, and economic values of the Valley, and their sustainability.

A very dear friend of mine lives in this area and I am concerned about the negative impact this proposed mine will have upon her quality of life.

I wish MY OPINION to be heard at the public heard 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,

Theanna Sue Server

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Number of people in household: 2

October 2, 2020

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

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St.
Denver, CO 80203

Imagine you've bought the home of your dreams. Imagine you just finished a major renovation of this home. Now imagine someone wants to put an 80-acre gravel pit next door.

The Brown family lives next door in a multi million-dollar home. I'm across the street. I am aggrieved and I'm seeking party status to testify at the hearing for the above referenced matter.

I am very concerned that the mining operation will literally drain the water table, and leave my home dry. Water is scarce in the Blue River Valley. Some of my neighbors have just a couple of gallons per minute. This proposed mine will have expansive water access, as the Hillyards, the former owners, had grandfathered rights. We simply cannot afford this drainage of water from the water table, nor from the Blue River.

There is no question the mere sight of an 80-acre gravel pit will harm and probably drop the value of my land and property by 50%.

There are 230 proposed gravel truck trips, clogging traffic, harming the roads with the heavy loads, and polluting the air.

Cyclists frequent the corridor between Peak Materials and the former Hillyard Family Ranch. Those people will be in danger from the increased truck traffic, and they'll be deeply breathing toxic effluent from the passing trucks. Summit County economically depends on the recreation industry. We can't allow commercial interests to despoil the beauty and tranquility we offer.

When neighbors tried to buy the Hillyard property rather see it become a gravel pit, Peak Materials applied huge pressure and said they would withdraw their offer if widow Hillyard didn't sell within hours.

A gravel pit doesn't belong wedged into a neighborhood, even if it's a rural neighborhood. We are entitled to the anticipated benefits of the pastoral rural neighborhood for which have paid good money. Placing the gravel pit in my neighborhood literally costs me money, risks the future use of my property and will cost my health.

I urge denial of the request for this mining permit. The State must understand that it may incur real liability, along with Peak Materials, should the water table be drained, or polluted by this proposed mining operation. As a citizen and a taxpayer, I object to the state assuming this risk, for the opportunity to mine something as ubiquitous as gravel.

Sincerely,

Susan Knopf
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Silverthorne, Colorado 80498
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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Dr Broadway <drbroadway@broadwaymd.com>
To: "drms.temp@state.co.us" <drms.temp@state.co.us>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 4:25 AM

10/5/2020

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 wish to voice my objection to the above-mentioned application by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource.

The Lower Blue River and specifically Highway 9 is a heavily traveled corridor by locals, tourists and the native animal population. This area is one of the most scenic regions in Colorado and deserves our protection. I am also concerned about:

- Our well water quantity and/or quality,
- Wildlife (including the Blue River fishery)
- Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate
- 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 of an 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.

I wish to attend 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,

David R. Broadway, MD
[0239 Rodeo Drive](#)

[Silverthorne, CO 80498](#)
drbroadway@broadwaymd.com
Number of people in my household: 5



Application by Peak Ranch Resource: file M2020041

1 message

rogersngsc@aol.com <rogersngsc@aol.com>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 8:38 AM

Reply-To: rogersngsc@aol.com

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

I oppose the mining of gravel from the Peak Ranch by Peak Materials for the following reasons:

- 1 Too close to the Blue River going immediately to the west of the project.
- 2 Excessive truck traffic on Highway 9 getting the material back to the processing plant.
3. Not part of the county long range outlook for the Lower Blue River Basin.
4. May set a precedent to allow additional gravel removal from the valley floor in that area.

Sincerely

Mark H Rogers
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mhrogers483@gmail.com
My wife and I live there (2)



Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Mike Evans <mevans314159@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 9:25 AM

10/5/2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
[1313 Sherman St.](#)
[Denver, CO 80203](#)

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,
Michael Evans
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[630 Ute Pass Road](#)
Sliverthorne, Colorado 80498

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My household has three residents.



Peak Materials

1 message

Paul Seid <seid.paul@gmail.com>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 10:45 AM

To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Cc: FOLBR <office@folbr.org>

Dear DRMS

My wife and I live in north Silverthorne on Johnson Road. As such the heavy trucks of the potential Peak Materials mine will rumble by our entrance to Route 9 every two or three minutes all day filled to the brim with their aggregate or unfilled and barreling along. Not only will they possibly cause a dangerous and/or catastrophic crash situation as these large, heavily loaded vehicles go by at high speeds but they will unquestionably do extensive and expensive damage to the single lane road they are on.

Additionally there is the potential for our beautiful Blue River to become polluted with the mine tailings that this facility will regurgitate resulting in an environmental disaster to this beautiful waterway. As an avid fly fisherman I shudder at that thought.

My wife and I strongly urge you to deny the Peak Materials permit application for the safety of everyone that travels the Route 9 roadway every day.

Thank you

Paul and Mary Seid
P.O. Box 2090
Silverthorne, Co. 80498



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

1 message

John Land Le Coq <johnlecoq@fishpondusa.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 1:46 PM

To whom it may concern:

As a full time resident and large parcel ranch owner located in The Lower Blue Valley for the past 28 years, I am writing to seek Party status to testify about the above referenced application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041).

I have served for 12 years on the Lower Blue Planning Commission, and have worked extensively on the updates and drafting of the Lower Blue Master Plan, which is a guiding document to be referenced by the Planning Commission and also the County Commissioners.

The most important language in the Lower Blue Master Plan is that the agriculture/ranching character and view corridors be respected and preserved, and that no commercial operations be allowed that would diminish these values.

For the benefit of all species, Summit County residents, and those from other places that are passing through this beautiful valley, we have worked especially hard with our planning documents to avert an operation such as the one Peak Ranch Resources is proposing. It is vitally important that the Lower Blue Master Plan document be referenced, as this document was crafted through a public process and the will of the people is clear on how the natural beauty of the Lower Blue valley be maintained and planned.

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,

Johnny Le Coq
(Your Signature)
John Land Le Coq
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three people in my household

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John Land Le Coq | *Founder/CEO/Director of Design and Development*

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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Brian Taylor <brianbt23@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 2:32 PM

10/5/2020

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 the following reasons:

- 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 in the valley
- 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 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,

Brian Taylor

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brianbt23@gmail.com

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Peak Ranch File No M20200411

1 message

Danny Chris Zaloom <totw2@msn.com>
To: "drms.temp@state.co.us" <drms.temp@state.co.us>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 2:59 PM

10/05/2020

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,
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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,
Daniel Zaloom & Christine Metzger

[15 High Meadow Trail](#)

[Dillon, CO 80435](#)

970-763-7464

Peak Materials denial request to State

1 message

Sioux Barr <siouxbarr@yahoo.com>

Sat, Oct 3, 2020 at 4:55 PM

To: "henryebarr@gmail.com" <henryebarr@gmail.com>, Sioux Barr <siouxbarr@yahoo.com>

Peak Materials denial request to State

September 19, 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 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:

- Impacted wells: Living directly across the highway from the proposed mine is a 30+ family neighborhood. We are all on 20-60 acre properties (as zoning permits) and are all on individual wells.
- Being directly across the highway, our wells' water will be most certainly impacted. All of us have dug wells and obtained water at different depths, different flows, and different quality. Our well (and most others up here) are in shale and therefore we are greatly concerned that a gravel pit will either empty our wells or adversely affect the quality/quantity of our wells.
- Other impacts, besides our water quantity/ quality that will greatly impact us, are the impact of increased traffic on an already extremely busy highway, Highway 9. This is the only way for people to get to /from Summit County to the northern communities and towns. This highway is dangerous enough now (with people passing on double yellows, wildlife crossing, speeding...) without adding 220+ trucks A DAY! traveling to and from this proposed site to Maryland Creek (Peak's processing plant) approximately 7 miles away.
- Also there is the noise pollution, river impact, and wildlife to be considered. The fact that this commercial operation goes against the Summit County approved Master plan for Lower Blue Valley is unacceptable and should be denied. I beg you, please, please do NOT grant Peak Ranch Resource permit to MINE THIS PROPERTY. We need our water, we need Highway 9 to be safe and viable for people to travel, and we need to maintain the integrity of the Lower Blue Valley

I wish to be heard at the public hearing (via remotely) 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,

Sioux Barr



Sioux Barr (Sue)
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Number of people in your household: 4-13 (when kids come up)



opposition to Peak's application for gravel pit

1 message

mary anne Johnston <majohnstoncolo@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 3:26 PM

October 3, 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 opposed to the Peak Materials' application for a gravel pit in the Lower Blue River area north of Silverthorne for the following reasons. **Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan has already deemed any industrial activity antithetical to the natural, rural, and economic values of the Lower Blue Valley.**

This operation is completely inappropriate in the part of Summit County which has Federal Wilderness on both sides, 1,000 acres of County land as protected open space, and 1,000 acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements. The Blue River is an ex-Gold Medal trout river re-seeking that status. Wildlife and people will be adversely affected 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.

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

Sincerely,

Mary Anne C. Johnston, PhD, and Richard B. Johnston, Jr., MD

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number of people in household - 2



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

1 message

Caitlin Schultz <ccschul@gmail.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 3:33 PM

10/5/2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

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Denver, CO 80203

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- No existing industrial activity in the valley
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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,

Caitlin Corinne Schultz

1441 Little Raven Street, 7006

Denver, CO 80202

724-355-9316

ccschul@gmail.com

Number of people in your household - 1



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

1 message

Bill Grady <bgrady_0409@yahoo.com>
To: "drms.temp@state.co.us" <drms.temp@state.co.us>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 3:56 PM

10/5/2020

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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,

William J. Grady
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Two people in my household



gravel pit

1 message

Peter Kleinman <peterk218@gmail.com>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 4:37 PM

To: drms.temp@state.co.us

10/5/2020

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 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:

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- 1000s of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements
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Sincerely,

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Number of people in your household__2____

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Please note that I have recently changed my primary email account to Gmail. Please send all future messages to the following address:
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FW: Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Adam Poe <apoe@westernlandgroup.com>
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Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 4:58 PM

ADAM AND ANNE POE
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October 5, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

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

via e-mail: drms.temp@state.co.us

To Whom it May Concern,

We are the owners of [1420 County Road 1351](#) in the Lower Blue Valley of Summit County. 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 Peak Ranch Resource site in Summit County, Colorado. We are writing on behalf of ourselves and our two grown children who collectively have owned a home and property since 1997 in the Pebble Creek Ranch subdivision in Summit County

Our home is 1.6 miles west of State Highway 9 off Rock Road (CR 1351) which is in the middle of the six mile corridor within which Peak Material proposes to run 230 truck trips per day connecting the Peak Ranch Resource site and the existing processing plant at Maryland Creek. The disruption we and our neighbors at Pebble Creek Ranch will experience as a result of this project's truck traffic, noise, impacts to wildlife, impacts to recreation resources, and the overall environmental degradation in the Lower Blue Valley, establish our standing to participate in the DRMS's decision-making process.

A few of our specific objections to the project at this time are summarized below for your consideration. At the public hearing on this project we intend to provide testimony addressing the following:

1. The proposed project involves a proposed gravel pit approximately six miles to the north of Maryland Creek where the materials would be processed. These two elements of the project are definitely connected. The application lacks a comprehensive traffic and highway safety analysis of the intervening highway corridor. The application before DRMS includes a wildlife impact study which briefly mentions potential impacts to wildlife within the corridor between the Maryland Creek and Peak Ranch Resource site. However the application does not include a broader traffic and highway safety analysis. We believe this is a significant deficiency. In order to reach our home we are required to make a turn off SH 9, a two-lane highway, to head west up Rock Creek Road. When heading north on

SH 9 we routinely need to wait for on-coming traffic to clear before completing our turn. In the meantime, cars and trucks heading north on SH 9 use the highway shoulder to pass us because SH 9 does not have a turn lane at this location. This creates an extremely hazardous condition that will only be exacerbated by the 230 truck trips per day associated with the proposed gravel pit before you.

2. We also find it ironic that the Colorado Division of Parks and Recreation, a sister agency of the DRMS, has been an active participant in the Summit County Safe Passages planning effort which is looking at ways to reduce roadkill in the same highway corridor that will be used to haul 115 loaded trucks per day from the proposed gravel pit to Maryland Creek. We believe the Department of Natural Resources should be involved in a comprehensive analysis which takes into account these two proposals. The proposed gravel pit should not be considered in a vacuum without consideration of its direct, indirect and cumulative environmental impacts.
3. Finally, we feel the application is premature since a Summit County Conditional Use Permit for the proposed project at the Peak Ranch Resource site must be obtained for this project to go forward. However, the application before DRMS ignores the fact that there is no where for the mined material to go for processing. The Maryland Creek processing facility is not allowed under the terms of Resolution No. 2016-08 of the Lower Blue Planning Commission which specifically provides under "2. Permitted Uses and Activities, L." "No raw materials may be imported onto the site,". Resolution No. 2016-08 goes on to state that the permit shall expire September 1, 2026 unless extended, which we believe has not occurred. Until the material to be extracted at the project site has a place to be processed, consideration by DRMS is premature and should not go forward.

Again, 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 us to your email distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

Adam and Anne Poe,

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 **gravel pit.Maryland Creek Ranch CUP Reso pln16-062.pdf**
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Please Stop the Peak Materials Gravel Pit

1 message

Kim Onasch <powderdaysrule@aol.com>

Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 6:05 PM

Reply-To: Kim Onasch <powderdaysrule@aol.com>

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

To whom it may concern,

I will try to keep this short and to the point, but I am very upset about the proposed gravel mine on Highway 9 North of Silverthorne. I live on the hill just above the proposed site. I spent my whole life working hard to purchase my dream acreage in 2007. I had a connection with the land and neighbors before I ever purchased it. I spent 2 years removing sage brush by hand and tractor by myself before I built my ranch. I was there every day helping pour concrete, frame, build, doing everything I could to help with the construction. Blood, sweat, and tears doesn't even describe it, this is the place I want to be for the rest of my life. This place I chose because of the location, away from it all, peace, quiet, serenity. All the money in the world cannot replace those things. These are things I need in my life when I come home from the busy hustle of work every day. This valley is a valley for agriculture, and natural beauty. I go home to enjoy the outdoors, and spend time with my family and animals. This valley is no place for a noisy gravel mine. I know they are talking about a berm to alleviate noise. That doesn't work for anyone who is uphill from them. This mine is also claiming that they 'won't hurt our wells'. I don't know what gives them the right to claim something so outrageous. They have no idea what they 'might' do to our wells. Our neighborhood does not have a water table. It is based on very random pockets of water in the shale. I spent over \$65,000 digging 3 wells to find water on my property. The first one was over 600' and yielded 55 gallons per DAY. We tried to use it for a year, and ended up hauling water from town to fill our 300 gallon tank in our basement in the middle of winter. This is no way to live. We use more water than that every week in my household. What are they going to do if they do dry up my well? Say sorry? It's not like I can just 'dig another one'. There is no where else to dig. When I ran out of water, I called Sabrina Roper, who use to own Delta Sub 1 water well and pumps, and was 85 years old. I begged her to come out and help me find water. She is the one who witched all of the good wells in our neighborhood, and I don't believe she is around any longer. She was my last hope. I had paid another company to do soundings on the ground when I dug my second well, and they were unsuccessful at finding water either. I believe when Peak digs this tailings pond, the water will siphon down, and we will be left high and dry. I believe their theory about keeping it wet isn't going to apply to random pockets of shale that are higher than the pond. They are looking at it as if we have a solid water table. We do not.

I would like to be present at any hearing you are having regarding this.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kim Onasch
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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Chuck Winch <cwinch@earthlink.net>
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Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 6:53 PM

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

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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,

Charles Winch

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Number of people in my household: 1



Against gravel pit

1 message

Richard Mason <sallyandrichard@me.com>
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Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 7:02 PM

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

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Sincerely,

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2 people in household



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

1 message

Toni Napolitano <toni.napolitano@hotmail.com>
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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 4:36 AM

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

October 4, 2020

1313 Sherman Street

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 Application by Peak Ranch Resource by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource which is located quite close to my residential house.

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

1. I am concerned about **my water well quantity and quality for my residential home which is located not far from this potential gravel mining site**. It has been reported that water wells in the Peak Materials Maryland Creek area in Silverthorne, Colorado, where currently the gravel is being processed, have already been negatively impacted related to water quality, quantity and viability.
2. **Highway 9 safety** in Silverthorne, Colorado with an estimated 230 one-way gravel trucks a day for 8 months a year going back and forth for 10 miles to the Maryland Creek processing location.
3. There is a **wildlife** migration corridor there, where elk, deer and other wildlife access the Blue River and habitat. Gravel trucks and mining will disrupt and negatively impact the wildlife.
4. Negative impact on the **Blue River fishery and the Gold Metal Trout Blue River**.
5. The Peak Materials **reclamation plan is not sufficient**.
6. **Hazards** for humans, wildlife, bikers, and cars with all the gravel trucks going up and down the road with potential **collisions**.
7. Highway 9 **traffic** is already significant since it is the main road for people going from Denver to Steamboat Springs. This will **increase traffic** as well as frustrate travelers who already speeding excessively on this highway.
8. This is a **rural, agricultural valley** with Federal Wilderness lands on both sides of proposed gravel mine property and with 1000 of acres of Protected County open space, and 1000 of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements. A gravel pit is **not congruent with this environment**.
9. The **Summit County's Lower Blue Master Plan mission** is to protect and sustain the rural and agricultural nature the lower Blue River area and an industry like a gravel pit is incongruent with the plan. There is not other industrial activity in the lower Blue River Basin.
10. **Ultimately, my quality of life, property value, water well quality/quantity, noise level and air quality (dirt, dust and diesel fumes from gravel trucks) will be significantly negatively impacted**. This is simply not fair and equitable for a "gravel pit" in a rural, agricultural, beautiful area.

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 of this meeting.

Sincerely,

Toni Napolitano

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Number of people in household: 1

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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

rickpost@yahoo.com <rickpost@yahoo.com>
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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 7:21 AM

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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 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,
Rick Post
Richard A Post

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Number of people in your household 1



Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 8:47 AM

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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.

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Peak Ranch Resource

1 message

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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 8:58 AM

10/6/2020

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:

Don't want the water table level affected in my neighborhood.

Don't want the heavy traffic on Highway 9 with noise and potential accidents and damage to highway from heavy usage.

Don't want the environment negatively affected by the processes and heavy traffic.

Don't want intersection of Highway 9 and Ute Park Road threatened with traffic too heavy to make a left turn traveling South to Silverthorne

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,

Julie Hodges

(Julie Ann Hodges

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Number of people in your household - One

October 6, 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 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 greatly disturbed about this proposed project for the following reasons:

I drive this route several times a week and volunteer at a horse rescue ranch in the area. It is an incredibly beautiful range with 1000s of acres of County protected open space that depicts the best in Western beauty and is outlined by a magnificent mountain range that would be irreparably scarred if mining operations are allowed – just as the existing site is a blight in the Maryland Creek area. It would be located on a major thoroughfare that already experiences heavy traffic on its two lanes during several hours of the day, and especially during the summer tourist season. Furthermore, there is federal wilderness on both sides that

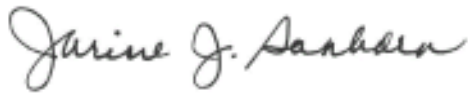
- Has 1000s of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements,
- Features a former Gold Medal trout river re-seeking that status,
- Has wildlife and people who will be adversely impacted by the noise and air pollution created by 230 one way gravel truck trips a day for 8 months a year back and forth to Maryland Creek,
- Has no existing industrial activity,
- Features an 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.

The proposed operation will adversely affect wildlife (including the Blue River fishery) and the Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate . 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.

Do not destroy this beautiful gem of nature. Mining operations should not be located in such an area.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jarrise J. Sanborn".

Jarrise Sanborn

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2 people in household – many others when family in town.



Peak Resources Application File No M2020041

1 message

Pam Moret <pammo56@aol.com>
To: drms.temp@state.co.us

Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 9:36 AM

October 5, 2020

To whom it may concern:

I am writing today 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:

1. The valley is home to a huge number of wild animals, including the Blue River fishery. We regularly use the river for fishing and recreation and this usage will be irrevocably harmed by this activity. The valley residents are working hard to reestablish the river as a Gold Medal trout stream - this project will make that impossible.
2. The reclamation plan provided by Peak Resource is inadequate. This project will create unsightly property and create a dangerous operation in our valley.
3. Hundreds of one way gravel truck trips each day to the Maryland Creek Processing facility create a safety hazard for all of us who regularly drive on the road as well as for wildlife.
4. There is federal wilderness area along the river valley and this permit request is an unacceptable use adjacent to the wilderness areas.
5. There are 1000s of acres of ranch land protected forever by conservation easements - having a gravel mining operation in the middle of such land is totally incompatible with the spirit of these conservation easements.
6. We have no existing industrial activity in the valley for all of these reasons. This permit is not consistent with the Master Plan for the Lower Blue River Valley.

I wish to be heard at the upcoming 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 parties of the date, time and place for the hearing.

Sincerely,

Pamela J Moret
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2 Greenway Gables
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Pam Moret
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Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Justin White <jwhite@dirsec.com>
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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 9:42 AM

October 6th, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
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- 1) Peak's plan lacks protection for 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.
- 2) Peak's plan fails to provide Fishery preservation.
- 3) Peak's overall plan is inadequate as is their reclamation plan.
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- 5) Peak's plan puts the desires of Peak Ranch Resource before the interests of both visitors and residents of the Lower Blue River valley.
- 6) Peak's plan lacks sufficient protection for Federal wilderness on both sides of the river.
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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,

Justin A. White
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Number of people in our household: FOUR



Application by Peak Ranch Resource (File No. M2020041)

1 message

Hank Wiethake <hankwiethake@yahoo.com>
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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 9:53 AM

October 6th, 2020

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Sincerely,

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Number of People in my household: FIVE



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

1 message

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Tue, Oct 6, 2020 at 10:01 AM

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

October 6, 2020

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

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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 Silverthorne 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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File M2026041

1 message

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Dear Madam/Sir:

This letter is in protest of the Peak Ranch Resource petition File # M2026041. I live in Acorn Creek, and was happy the Lower Blue Master Planning group is either planning to, or did already vote against this petition.

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

- My water well water quantity and/or quality will be greatly harmed
- Wildlife (including the Blue River fishery), will be severely and negatively affected
- Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate
- 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.

So I fervently hope you will deny this egregious request for approval.

Respectfully,

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Peak ranch resources file #m20220041

1 message

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October 6th, 2020

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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 specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

- 1) Peak's plan lacks protection for 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.
- 2) Peak's plan fails to provide Fishery preservation.
- 3) Peak's overall plan is inadequate as is their reclamation plan.
- 4) Additional traffic that Hwy 9 is not able to accommodate: Even though DRMS is not required to address highway safety, 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.
- 5) Peak's plan puts the desires of Peak Ranch Resource before the interests of both visitors and residents of the Lower Blue River valley.
- 6) Peak's plan lacks sufficient protection for Federal wilderness on both sides of the river.
- 7) Peak's plan lacks sufficient protection for 1000s of acres of County protected open space
- 8) Peak's plan lacks sufficient protection for 1000s of acres of working ranches forever protected from development by conservation easements
- 9) Peak's plan lacks sufficient protection for an ex-Gold Medal trout river re-seeking that status
- 10) No 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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Jack Norton
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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 specifically aggrieved by this proposed project for the following reasons:

My home in the Pebble Creek Ranch Subdivision is located approximately one mile west of State Highway 9 off Rock Road (CR 1351) which is in the middle of the six mile corridor within which Peak Material proposes to run 230 truck trips per day connecting the Peak Ranch Resource site and the existing processing plant at Maryland Creek. The disruption I will experience as a result of this project's truck traffic, noise, impacts to wildlife, impacts to recreation resources, and the overall environmental degradation in the Lower Blue Valley, establishing my standing to participate in the DRMS's decision-making process.

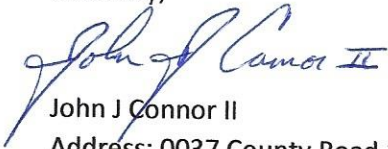
A few of my specific objections to the project at this time are summarized below for your consideration. At the public hearing on this project I intend to provide testimony on these and other issues.

1. An application for the proposed project is premature. A Summit County Conditional Use Permit for the proposed project at the Peak Ranch Resource site must be obtained for this project to go forward. However, the application before DRMS ignores the fact that there is nowhere for the mined material to go for processing. The Maryland Creek processing facility is not allowed under the terms of Resolution No. 2016-08 of the Lower Blue Planning Commission (attached) which specifically provides under "2. Permitted Uses and Activities, L." "No raw materials may be imported onto the site,". Resolution No. 2016-08 goes on to state that the permit shall expire September 1, 2026 unless extended, which I believe has not occurred. Until the material to be extracted at the project site has a place to be processed, consideration by DRMS is premature and should not go forward.
2. The application lacks a comprehensive traffic and highway safety analysis. The application before DRMS includes a wildlife impact study which briefly mentions potential impacts to wildlife within the corridor between the Maryland Creek and Peak Ranch Resource site. However, the application does not include a broader traffic and highway safety analysis. I believe this is a significant deficiency. A comprehensive traffic and safety analysis should examine: the impact of adding significant truck traffic from the project to the growing traffic within the corridor; safety concerns associated with turning movements onto the numerous side roads (including Rock Creek Road which is used by myself and my family) in the absence of any

turn lanes; the physical constraints to any future highway improvements associated with the Blue River and other natural features in the Lower Blue Valley; noise from 230 trucks per day passing through the corridor; safety concerns associated with conflicts between the increased truck traffic and recreational users (cyclists, fishermen, etc.) on SH 9; increased roadkill; and, other traffic and highway safety concerns.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John J. Connor II". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Connor" being more prominent, and "II" at the end.

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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.

As the former director of Continental Divide Land Trust, I am particularly aggrieved by the intrusion of industrial uses in an area of Summit County where there are thousands of acres of land protected with conservation easements to provide the exact kind of conservation benefit that the Peak Ranch Resource application is seeking to destroy.

A gravel mine in the midst of wildlife habitat, high quality waters, conserved lands, federally designated wilderness, and stunning scenic beauty is an affront to the Colorado way of life and makes no sense economically.

It is especially grievous when there are hundreds of acres of gravel piles left from dredge boat mining in the Swan River and French Creek valleys available for gravel extraction and in need of restoration afterwards.

Let's point our attention to the places where it makes sense to extract gravel, not in the Lower Blue Valley where it is totally inappropriate.

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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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:

The sound quality in this valley flanked by wilderness areas will be adversely affected by back up alarms sounding 12 hours per day six days per week all year. The pollution from this pit will exceed its value. I also object to the pit that would be in violation of the Lower Blue Planning Commission regulating that the lower Blue should maintain its rural ranching activities and views that reflect this heritage.

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

My uncle Harold Tonn, bought the Blue River Ranches on the Lower Blue in 1954. Since then my parents and our families have been coming to the ranch to help with haying and eventually we acquired a portion of the ranch to build a Bereuter family house in 1987, when the ranch was sold. We own 37 acres at the intersection of Highway 9 and CO25 - 39932. Over the years the family got to know the longtime family ranchers, the Knorrs, Culbreaths, Longs, and Palmers. These longtime residents understood the importance of the environment and they and others have utilized conservancy agreements to preserve the character and nature of the lower blue. As the years have gone by, it was realized that the Lower Blue was distinctly different than the Upper Blue. This area was real ranch land and had not been affected by the mining industry – no pits, tailings, or placers. It was and has remained working ranch land encased by the Rockies. There are a few residential developments, but no condos, discount malls, or commercial buildings.

There is no commercial zoning or industrial zoning in this area. It is beautiful Colorado as it has been for decades and this uniqueness is a great asset to the attractiveness of Summit County. The Lower Blue is an area where the tourists can see ranchers working on their irrigation ditches, see the haying process, see their horses and cattle being fed hay in the winter, seeing a moose make its way through the willows,

and see an occasional herd of elk leaving the meadows in the early morning. To disrupt and deface this pristine part of Summit County with a commercial gravel pit is unconscionable.

It is understood that Peak Ready Mix is an important supplier of building materials to the county and are exhausting their supply of resources in their current location. A big part of the county will say “sure, let them tear up another section of the Blue River Valley – got to have our concrete” purely for economic reasons. Peak Ready Mix is well funded and a profitable company that has the resources to look for material sites closer to Silverthorne such as along Pioneer Creek Road or out of Summit County. **The fact is that the county and the residents of the Lower Blue, made a decision years ago to maintain the character of this area and not open it up to commercialization by creating the Lower Blue Master Plan. They chose to give up big opportunities for big real estate profits and chose to keep this area from becoming what the Silverthorne, Keystone, Frisco and Breckenridge areas have become.** Approval of this permit would be the death of the Lower Blue as we know it. It would remove the finger in the dyke and let the big money flood come down the river and wash away the best part of Summit County. That would be environmentally and aesthetically disastrous!

PLEASE DENY THE PERMIT APPLICATION.

Respectfully submitted,

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