

Oct. 8, 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 proposal for the following reasons:

1. I fear that a project like Peak Materials could severely affect our **well water**. Since we purchased the property in 1993, our well water has been very good, sweet tasting, and odorless. We have ample supply of water for the five households, and the livestock that call Ute Peak Ranch their home.
2. We have a stock pond on the property equipped with a **dry hydrant**, inspected and approved for use by the Silverthorne Fire Department. When the property was purchased in 1993 this was a requirement of the sale.
3. The addition of gravel trucks to an already busy highway will create a **safety hazard** for humans and wildlife. Potential for vehicles to collide with wildlife. Bikers to get run over by gravel trucks. Gravel trucks to collide with cars entering and exiting the various subdivisions between the proposed mine and Maryland Creek. This section of highway was not designed for industrial traffic.
4. The Lower Blue Valley has been a rural, recreational, and wildlife area for many years. The Blue River is an ex-gold medal

trout river re-seeking that status. We feel the wildlife and people of the lower blue valley will be adversely impacted by the **noise and air pollution** created by the existence of a gravel mine.

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 e-mail distribution list notifying interested parties of the date, time and location for this meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Allen', with a stylized, flowing script.

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