

October 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 application mentioned above by Peak Materials to establish a gravel mining operation at the site designated as Peak Ranch Resource. My family has a cabin located at 35055 CO-9. To say that we are distressed about the prospect of a gravel pit being so close to our property is an understatement. This property is a family legacy that we were hoping could be preserved and passed down for generations to come.

This proposed project specifically aggrieves me for the following reasons:

Environmental: having a gravel pit will adversely affect the water well quantity and quality on our property, and the Peak's reclamation plan is inadequate. There is Federal Wilderness on both sides, and 1000s of acres of County protected open space. It will also affect noise and air pollution for the wildlife and natural beauty that Colorado is known for and why people live and spend time in this beautiful part of Summit County.

Safety: As parents to young kids, I am always worried about being in a car accident, and this stretch of highway is busy enough! Adding 230 one-way gravel truck trips a day for eight months a year back and forth to Maryland Creek for processing creates a genuine safety hazard for humans and wildlife. Not to mention if anyone ever wants to bike, you can't if gravel trucks are going back and forth constantly.

Property Value and Sentimental: Not only is the cabin and property a family legacy, as stated above. It is the place my husband and I got married. It is the place we told my parents we were having our second daughter; it is the place where all holidays are spent, and our family memories are made. It is the place where our 4-year old and 1-year old run free and enjoys nature. It is the place where everything wrong in the world is left behind in our busy city lives and forgotten. It is the place where I want to see our daughters and their daughters and the generation after that get married, spend holidays and remember that the simple pleasures of life and undisturbed nature are the best part of our existence. Please don't take that away from my family by allowing a gravel pit to decrease the value of our property, ruin the river and the surrounding land.

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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