

Dear Sirs:

I would like to express my concerns about the Two Rivers Mining Project. I have lived in the Dos Rios housing development since 2011.

My husband and I spent many months searching for a home that would give us the feel and advantages of country living but that would be close to the city of Greeley and Evans. When we found our home we fell in love with our neighborhood. It has a number of homes on smaller acreages specifically designed as horse properties. This was one of our main criteria as I am a horse lover and I wanted to keep and care for two horses and have a safe place to ride in and around the neighborhood. One of my favorite routes to ride is down along the river front beside the highway (59th street). A number of other residents in the area walk along this road, some with their dogs. My concern is the safety hazard that this will pose, particularly to those of us who own horses and ride in the area. The huge increase of large gravel trucks will make it virtually impossible for people to walk or ride along this corridor.

Another reason we moved to the area is that it is quiet. We enjoy birds singing and geese overhead. The noise of large machinery, the increase of noisy traffic will change our quiet neighborhood forever.

Because we live close to the confluence of the South Platte and the St. Vrain Rivers, this whole area is a haven for wildlife such as deer, wild turkeys, many species of song birds and other small mammals. The trees along the river are nesting sites for many bald eagles and other birds. This mining project will negatively impact all of this wildlife. I would also be concerned for the pollution and reduction of the water quality of the rivers.

Finally with all the changes caused by this mining project, I fear that our home and property values will be severely diminished.

Please take all of these concerns into account as you consider the viability of the present proposed location of this mining operation. You are affecting and impacting a whole neighborhood of houses and people- more than just a few isolated farms and homes in the other direction south of the St. Vrain.

Sincerely,

Martha and Mark Hendrickson