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The North Fork Coal Mining Area exception does not take into account a longer-term strategy and is setting an unacceptable precedent. I am in support of the Colorado Roadless Rule and the District Court of Colorado's ruling in acknowledgment of the superior jurisdiction of NEPA. The exemption focuses on CURRENT State interest, which is both short-term and narrow in its present and future considerations. Beyond this year and beyond this current interest in coal is the greater long-term commitment to roadless conservation WITHOUT a precedent-setting exemption. We must hold fast to the sustainable foresight, vision and required action of NEPA and the CCR. We knew and know through NEPA and the CCR that a price would always have to be paid, however, it is we, and not the environment, that have the flexibility and creativity to meet our needs and pay that price. Hold fast..... thank you for your consideration.....