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Comments:

Our Roadless Forests are a hugely important resource to us as a nation. Coal mining in these areas is a short term energy play that ignores the long term benefits these areas provide. These areas are a crucial to both the recreational economy of Colorado as well as a huge part of the allure that Colorado as a state has.

I support the no action alternative and the rejection of this proposed action. The proposed action degrades sensitive roadless lands, worsens climate change, and hobbles the renewable energy generation. Investing in a regressive and finite energy source is just short-sighted. There is a singular beneficiary in this action and that is Arch Coal. While they may provide local dollars in the short term, as soon as the coal is gone they will leave behind an artificially inflated local economy without any care for the fallout they leave behind.

This area is home to countless species such as elk, mule deer, black bear, mountain lion, wild turkey, Canada lynx and the federally threatened greenback cutthroat trout.

Please keep this area untouched as it's an asset we can't afford to lose.