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Comments:

Dear Dept of Forestry,

King Mountain launch site is with-in the boundaries that your are considering for a wilderness area. While wilderness areas are laudable, the unintended effects to a community that uses the area can be very detrimental. Hang Gliding and Para Gliding requires very specific parameters for good launches, of which there seem to be fewer and fewer because of building and population growth. King Mountain is one of these ideal locations that has all the right parameters, and I am writing to try to either keep the area out of the wilderness area or at least make the roadway to launch an exception, so that the sides of the roadway itself is the boundary to the wilderness area and that there is just a parking area at the launch site.

The very groups that normally support environmental actions such as wilderness areas are the Hang Gliding and Para Gliding groups, we are not off roaders, we like to leave no trace, we are very environmentally conscientious, and our foot prints are simply on the road it self and then a few steps at launch, and then our foot prints end into thin air. So with all this in consideration I do ask that either you not put this small area into the wilderness area your are considering, or again, make the roadway to this specific area an exception with the sides of the roadway the boundary of the wilderness area so that no one take vehicles off this roadway.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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