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Comments:

Thanks for the opportunity to comment. King Mountain is a precious resource for those in the flying community (hang gliders, paragliders), rich with history of foot-launched innovations and adventures, and one of the best launching sites in the Intermountain West. Its qualities as a flying site are rare and highly desirable, and the low impact pilots have on the resource is well established. We use very little land and take good care of it in order to preserve access and good relations with landowners and agencies responsible for its caretaking. We only need the road, the small patch for launching and landing, and a nearby location to grab a meal and a cold drink. We're very low impact, particularly when you compare what we do to the grazing and mining impacts that would likely be permitted. We hope that decisionmakers take this comparison into account when planning for future land use regulations. We encourage you to be fair here and recognize continued pilot access to King Mountain as a win for the region and the resource. Thank you for your consideration.