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Comment- Whitney Creek geotechnical investigation

Hi Matthew,

My name is Jeffrey Hansen and I would like to express my disapproval of the proposed geotechnical exploration and potential future reservoir that would incur into the Holy Cross Wilderness. I am a resident of Colorado Springs, and so in theory I would benefit from this water source, but I believe that we must live within our means when it comes to water in the west, and further, wilderness areas should be considered sacred places that cannot be reduced or scarred by human intervention when it's convenient for us. What will happen in 100 years or 200 years when resources are even more constrained? Continue to erode the borders of our protected areas until they no longer exist? I hope not, and I hope we can set a precedent with this decision that such a trajectory is untenable.

The front range cannot grow indefinitely at the expense of our wild areas. Please help us keep our sacred wild spaces safe from this expansion.

Respectfully,

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