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It is with amazement I read that the Mountain Coaster Project 56985 on the Sandia Mountains is being considered. Especially dismaying is this broad statement in the proposal: Due to the minimal amount of new disturbance associated with the proposed action, the CNF is considering categorically excluding this project from analysis in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

I ask you and the Forest Service to perform an impact statement.

Surely the removal of a significant number of trees to build the coaster will have an impact on the forest itself. Surely the building and use of the coaster will have an profound effect on wildlife that live on the mountain side.

Why not build additional trails and picnic areas for the public to enjoy? Why not use the ski lift as a way for the public to get up and down the in the spring/summer/fall months?

This project should not go forward without an environmental impact statement.