



Fwd: Cuchara Mountain Park

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Hello Commissioner Chamberlain,

I am writing in regard to the Cuchara Foundation letter in opposition of an alleged development at Cuchara Mountain Park.

In November my husband and I became property owners within the ski village. My husband grew up in Trinidad, and we chose to make our long-anticipated investment in Cuchara — a place he loves most. Over the decades my husband and his father have contributed to the construction of Cuchara and the ski village making it a better place for the community. It is a community we are firmly invested in.

In learning of the Cuchara Foundation letter this evening and an alleged agreement for the construction of a hotel and tiny-home development, we are seeking more information.

My greatest concern right now is lack of information or transparency — should the claims in this letter be true. Given that the park is a publicly held asset donated by the philanthropy of community members and non-profits, the public is the primary stakeholder with vested interest in this property. It is imperative that the public be informed of what may be happening with their asset and have opportunity to weigh their opinion and support a democratic process.

Could you shed light on what is happening here? This is causing quite a stir in the community and transparency is desperately needed.

While I am new to Huerfano County, I trust that those in public office are working for the good of the community. Most community members I speak to are excited at the thought of a thriving economy built on smart and sustainable growth. The Mountain Park is a key opportunity for economic growth in Huerfano, but I agree with community members it needs to be true to the Mountain Park Masterplan that prioritizes public ownership and access while protecting it from ill-fitted private fiduciary interests.

Do you have information you can provide me and the public with regarding this matter? Please help us be informed and involved.

Thank you,

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