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Re: Upper Colorado River Wild & Scenic Management Plan Alternative

Dear Ms. Espy, Mr. Stout and Mr. Mendonca:

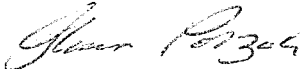
Vail Resorts, Inc., Eagle Park Reservoir Company, Upper Eagle Regional Water Authority and Eagle River Water and Sanitation District (collectively "Upper Colorado Entities") appreciates the opportunity to review the Upper Colorado Wild and Scenic Alternative Management Plan. The Upper Colorado Entities support the adoption of Alternative B-2: Stakeholder Management Plan and request that the U.S. Bureau of Land Management adopt the same. The adoption of a different alternative would negatively impact the Upper Colorado Entities' water rights on the Upper Colorado River and would interfere with previously planned projects within the Eagle River drainage as addressed in the 1998 Eagle River Memorandum of Understanding. The Upper Colorado Entities further believe that Alternative B-2: Stakeholder Management Plan is only alternative adequately supported by the administrative record. The

Upper Colorado Entities also note that they will continue their participation as a stakeholder in this matter.

Based on the foregoing, the Upper Colorado Entities voice their formal endorsement of Alternative B-2: Stakeholder Management Plan and request that the U.S. Bureau of Land Management adopt the same.

Sincerely,

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