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Re: Second Phase – Developed Shooting Range Evaluation Results - Revision

Dear Sylvia:

After further review and consideration we are removing Emory Road and the Tacoma Mine site from our list of possible shooting range sites.

Per our conversation this decision is based not only on the number of e-mail messages and calls received from concerned and irate residents but also based on the site visit which did not show signs of existing shooting, concerns about the transmission lines and the proximity to homes.

I was not on the Tacoma Mine site visit but I understand that you felt it was too difficult to access with terrain making it inappropriate and so we are taking that site out of consideration. This results in no recommended sites in the Boulder Ranger District but with two possibilities on CPW land and one in the Clear Creek Ranger District.

As we move forward with evaluation of the sites I would like to state that I feel the 1/4 mile separation from a home is inadequate. Even using that criteria it has been a challenge to identify appropriate sites but we will continue working within the partnership to identify an appropriate site.

Regards,

Gail Watson
Chair

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