



To: United States Bureau of Land Management
Royal Gorge Field Office
Attn: Roy Masinton

From:
Arkansas River Outfitters Association

Dear Roy,

I understand your office will be receiving several letters on the proposed Over the River project and I urge you to weigh all of them on their merits. Although no single letter is more significant than any other it is important to realize that certain groups will be uniquely affected by this project when it occurs.

The members of the Arkansas River Outfitters Association will have more contact with this project than most. Our ability to provide the general public with a unique viewing opportunity is unparalleled and the experience will be unequalled by any other group. It is for these reasons that I ask you to read and understand this letter carefully.

Our organization is in support of Christo and Jeanne-Claude's Over the River project. In addition to having a unique perspective on this endeavor we are also members of the Cañon City, Salida and Buena Vista communities. The potential benefit to this region of Colorado and the aforementioned communities cannot be overstated. With that being said it is important to consider the natural infrastructure of the area regarding roads, lodging, dining, etc. Everyone, especially those traveling to view this exhibit will benefit from a time frame of no earlier than August 15th following the already busy summer travel season.

We look forward to being part of this once in a lifetime opportunity and encourage you and your office to consider the points I have outlined above.

Thank you for your time and feel free to contact me at the number below.

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