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Gunnison County
Sustainable Tourism & Outdoor Recreation Committee
Attn: Kevin Alexander and Cathie Pagano
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Dear Kevin and Cathie,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as an at-large public member on Gunnison County's Sustainable Tourism and Outdoor Recreation (STOR) Committee. I greatly appreciate the hard work the group has done to identify and respond to highly complex issues.

My interest in serving on the committee stems from my background in private and public land management as well as my current role as District Manager for the Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District (Met Rec).

Following a refresh of our mission and vision in 2019, Met Rec engaged in its first-ever strategic planning process. The nascent Recreation Strategic Plan identifies four focus areas, including outdoor recreation. To further outdoor recreation needs, Met Rec aims to maintain its partnership with the STOR Committee while also helping further outdoor recreation needs that do not align with STOR's focus on public and conserved lands. Through community and stakeholder outreach and two grant cycles with over 45 local applicants, Met Rec has developed a comprehensive understanding and heightened familiarity with the recreation needs of various community populations, groups and organizations.

By engaging at the committee level, I seek to help further Met Rec and STOR's shared outdoor recreation priorities and provide relevant insight related to additional recreation needs and opportunities.

I appreciate your time and thoughtful consideration.

Thank you,

Hedda Peterson

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District Manager
Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District