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Subject: Input for Garfield County HIA

Thank you for considering the following suggestions for inclusion in the subject HIA.

Section 3.3 What we do not know:

Statement says we do not know of any dangerous traffic spots.....I ask you to consider the ingress/egress bridge from I70 to Battlement Mesa.

The bridge carries a heavy traffic load and is located at the bottom of the hill coming from the South off Battlement Mesa Parkway. The road entering the bridge from B.M is narrow and curvy at the bottom of a hill and it carries a large number of very heavy trucks. It would only take one of these heavy trucks losing it's air brakes to create a major disaster on or near the bridge bridge. This is a dangerous traffic spot.

Think of adding 3.3.9

Ban use of exhaust brakes (jake brakes) inside the B.M. PUD for noise reduction. Trucks traveling down the hill on B.M. Parkway create a very loud noise when they activate their exhaust brakes, day and night. This is a reasonable thing to do as many towns and communities on major highways restrict their use.

The above suggestion would also fit into Section 3.4 under *If industrial haul routes are not developed then:*

Add **3.4.9** Ban use of truck exhaust brakes within the PUD

Thank you again for considering including these suggestions,
Don Gray