



CAMP HALE – CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL MONUMENT

The Camp Hale - Continental Divide National Monument was proposed by Colorado leaders, including Senator Bennet, Senator Hickenlooper, Representative Neguse, and Governor Polis, in a letter to President Biden in August 2022. The proposal comes after almost a decade of collaboration and consultation with local stakeholders on protections for the area as a part of the Colorado Outdoor Recreation & Economy (CORE) Act.

The Antiquities Act has been used over 150 times throughout this nation's history to establish and expand national monuments, resulting in protected landscapes that have become universally-revered symbols of America the Beautiful. By preserving the Camp Hale - Continental Divide landscape with this protection, advocates and community members will have more opportunities for inclusive management, to provide more complete and full interpretation, and increased accessibility for all to explore White River National Forest and surrounding area. This designation is just one of many advocated for by conservationists, recreationists, and local leaders who have identified community-led conservation efforts across the Nation that will help reach the goal of protecting 30% of lands and waters, while supporting communities on the frontline of the climate crisis.

In addition to the National Monument, Colorado leaders also proposed other means of achieving the goals of the CORE Act. Leaders requested the protection of the Thompson Divide through a Federal Lands Policy and Management Act mineral withdrawal, and also proposed new protections to the areas of the CORE Act proposed for wilderness designation, mineral withdrawal and special management areas on the Grand Mesa Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests by using the upcoming U.S. Forest Service plan revisions and other administrative tools.



Call to Action!

Tell President Biden to designate Camp Hale - Continental Divide National Monument today! And thank Colorado's leaders for their diligent work! To learn more, visit: <https://coreact.org/take-action/>

CAMP HALE

During World War II, Camp Hale was a center for mountain and winter warfare training, including more than 1,000 buildings within the valley, and was the base of operations for the 10th Mountain Division's training. After the war, 10th Mountain veterans helped found our nation's modern ski industry and laid the foundation for today's thriving outdoor recreation economy.

THE TENMILE RANGE

The Tenmile Range is one of the most iconic mountain ranges in the Rocky Mountains. Divided by the Continental Divide from its sister-range, the Mosquito Range, the Tenmile Range includes towering peaks such as Quandary Peak and Fletcher Mountain. This area provides an important home habitat and migratory corridor for big game, and is also a favorite recreation area for birdwatchers, anglers, and skiers.

CONTINENTAL DIVIDE NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL

The CDT is a 3,100-mile trail connecting landscapes, communities, and cultures through New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, and Montana. A National Monument designation in this area would protect almost 30 miles of the CDT! These protections would help ensure a remote, primitive experience for hikers, equestrians, and other recreationists looking for a continuous footpath from Leadville to Breckenridge.