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The Honorable Keith Eastin
Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Environment)
110 Army Pentagon, Room 3E464
Washington DC 20310

Dear Secretary Eastin:

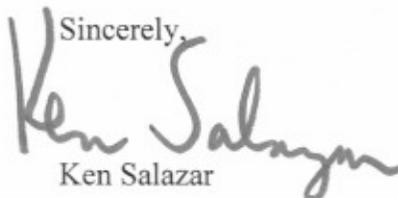
Your office is directly involved in the possible expansion of the Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site. Over the past several weeks, I have heard from many of my constituents in southeastern Colorado regarding this expansion.

For that reason, I respectfully request your attendance at a meeting in Pueblo, Colorado on May 13th at 9:00 a.m. in order for you to hear firsthand the concerns of local government officials, landowners, and others who will be affected by an expansion of the maneuver site. I realize there may be details of the proposed expansion that you will not be able to address, but your presence will ensure that the community's concerns will be heard by the appropriate authority.

In addition, I also understand that you are nearing the point of making a recommendation regarding the Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site. For that reason, I specifically request that you withhold any recommendation regarding the possible expansion of the Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site until you have had the opportunity to hear the concerns of those interested parties at the May 13 meeting.

My office will be providing the details as to the exact location of the meeting. Thank you in advance for your immediate consideration of this request. I look forward to seeing you in Pueblo.

Sincerely,



Ken Salazar