

Opinion: Don't mess with California's mountains

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Dear Colorado:

Welcome to Lake Tahoe!

We've been reading in our local California papers, as well as the *Denver Post*, about the new relationship between Aspen Skiing Co. and KSL Capital Partners. And of their subsequent purchases of IntraWest and Mammoth ski resorts – quite a dowry!

You likely share in the stoke for the new couple's community property – an incredible list of mountains that reads like a bucket list for American skiers: Colorado's Aspen and Steamboat resorts and California's Mammoth and Squaw – with more rumored soon.

We have one request in return: don't mess with our mountains. We hold our Sierra Nevada and its incredible places – Yosemite, Lake Tahoe, etc. – in high regard. And we defend them with great ferocity.

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