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I just heard, via the Corbett Facebook page, that you are planning to ban short term rentals such as Airbnb in the scenic area. I am just outside of the scenic area, in Springdale. But I am incensed that you would make such a change:

1. We have land use planning that prevents density.
2. A short term rental that is vacant sometimes will end up with way fewer folks in the gorge than a full time resident.
3. As far as I know, there have been no public meetings on this question. You are not gods who get to decide these things without input. What is your process for notifying folks who are impacted? That would include both homeowners and nearby counties.
4. In this time of Covid, more folks are vacationing closer to home. In taking the gorge out of the mix, you are depriving many folks of the opportunity to enjoy the gorge. It's not meant to be a museum.
5. I was in favor of the scenic act when it was created. I am not now, based on the arbitrary way that decisions are made and that the rules seem Orwellian in purpose. Is this rule a solution looking for a problem? What problems have you seen to warrant this intrusiveness? I would warrant that there were none or very few. Find something more important to do with your time.
6. How else can folks provide input to you and influence this decision? Or do you not care about public input?