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## Subtopic G3: Social Values/Quality of Life

Nine public and agency comments were received on the subtopic of G3: Social Values/ Quality of Life. From the nine comments, five common concern statements were developed. Themes for the G3: Social Values/Quality of Life subtopic include:

- A survey should be conducted to gather information about how communities view water quality, schools, volunteering, housing, historic resources, overall socioeconomic health, and general quality of life.
- The PEIS should consider long-term community values and community viability.
- Highway widening will destroy businesses and the beauty of the mountain surroundings and take away the appeal of living in the mountains.
- Highway alternatives will encourage more crime in Silver Plume.
- Homes will be condemned.

<b>CCS No.</b>	<b>Community Values Common Concern Statements (CCSs)</b>
<b>Subtopic G3: Social Values/Quality of Life</b>	
<b>G3-a</b>	<b>Inadequacy of Documentation</b> Lifestyle and health issues are primary concerns for Corridor residents and have not been adequately addressed. The PEIS should consider long-term community values, community viability, and quality-of-life issues. The PEIS should address critical environmental issues that revolve around intangibles, such as quality of life, that are difficult to define; to quantify these intangibles, a survey should be conducted to shed light on understanding community interconnected views on water quality, schools, volunteering, housing, historic resources and ability to maintain them, overall socioeconomic health, and general quality of life.
<b>G3-b</b>	<b>Effects on Mountain Surroundings</b> Highway widening will kill businesses and the beauty of the mountain surroundings and will take away from the appeal of living in the mountains (to get away from the city and noise).
<b>G3-c</b>	<b>Local and Regional Issues`</b> Corridor residents take pride in Clear Creek County's history and its role as a gateway to a true Colorado experience; but residents are also interested in the recreational amenities, scenic beauty, and well-being of the entire state.
<b>G3-d</b>	<b>Crime</b> The town of Silver Plume currently enjoys a relatively crime-free environment. Widening the highway to six lanes and increasing substantially the number of cars on the road must increase the number of accidents in the vicinity of Silver Plume and the incidence of "drop-in" off the highway crime.
<b>G3-e</b>	<b>Condemnations</b> Homes will be condemned, and the Colorado government pays only about half the market value.