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Dear Ms. Vilar,

I am delighted to express support for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Americas Latino EcoFestival (ALEF), to be held in Denver October 13-15. The mission of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is to develop, preserve and enhance Colorado's natural resources for the enjoyment of current and future citizens and visitors. Our mission is in close alignment with the objectives of ALEF.

At DNR we place a strong emphasis on the agency's ability to serve the growing Latino population in Colorado and appreciate the opportunity this conference provides for us to expand our connections with members of that community. Agency staff attended the conference last year and found it to be very valuable.

I commend ALEF for your leadership to expand the voice of the Latino community in some of the most pressing natural resource policy issues of our time. We are proud to be a sponsor of this event.



