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I am opposed to the plan for expanded parking at the Mendenhall Glacier. That area is too valuable to be used for parking. Increased use of diesel buses to transport visitors will deteriorate air quality already impacted by the many ships in our harbor and their associated traffic. An electric shuttle system (buses, trolleys, or tram) between the visitor center and the Loop Road intersection can hook up with Capital Transit. If Capital Transit cannot increase the frequency of buses to handle traffic from that point, private tour companies can fill the gap. If any motor boats are to be operated on Mendenhall Lake, they must be quiet, electric boats and not gas-powered. The technology exists. We cannot "modernize" and "improve" by using technology from the 20th Century. Our Glacier is disappearing fast enough without adding more global warming.

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