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Subject: Objection to Draft Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact: Jackson Hole Mountain Resort Recreation Enhancement Project, 2023 - in particular, those findings pertaining to removal of whitebark pine.

To: Todd Stiles, District Ranger, Jackson Ranger District

What an unlawful disgrace to kill off up to 400 Whitebark Pines, a designated threatened species, which you, the USFS are mandated to protect - especially from such a non-essential purpose to realign a recreational ski lift. Even if your judgment to allow this kind of development is based on an exception clause, which you mistakenly think won't negatively impact this specific ecosystem - your conclusion is wrong! The impact of this action is far greater than this local Whitebark Pine stand - nutcrackers are capable of dispersing seeds into habitats miles removed, which include those critical for the continuation of this threatened species as the climate continues to warm. The USFS should have more respect for the important ecosystem functions Whitebark Pine provides for the greater good! Please reconsider your ill-considered action.

Sincerely,
Catherine P. Logan