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Comments: Hello,

In consideration of a resort expansion in the Holland Lake area I would like to share the story of my Army roommate and good friend. His name was Kris and in his early adult life he struggled with finding purpose, even contemplating suicide. Kris was born on the east coast but found his home in Montana, Kris found life in the outdoors. Holland Lake was his favorite place in the world. A place of peace and quiet. Despite Kris finding his place he sought more and joined the military. This is where our paths crossed. Long to short we were in a Ranger unit and were part of the invasion of Afghanistan. Kris died in a helicopter crash on October 19, 2001. Of all the places Kris had been Holland Lake was the site chosen to spread his ashes, an eternal place of serenity for Kris. This narrative is not for Kris alone but for all the other who share in the same mental health struggles. I can only assume the number of people in which Holland Lake has provided solace for there is no way to tally the number. In a material world I can only think of how we need less of us and more of nature. I am not fully educated on what this resort expansion means. That said, if the expansion would somehow infringe upon the natural magic of Holland Lake in lieu of money I do not support this proposition. As this project moves forward I would humbly ask that memory of Kris and his life in relation to Holland Lake be respected. Thank you