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Comments: I am a born and raised Montanan, as are my parents and grandparents, with a few generations dating further back as the Flathead valley was being settled and originally logged for timber. This family history has engrained into me the importance of preserving and protecting not only our natural resources, but also the natural habitats for all wildlife as we coexist in this beautiful mountain-space. Holland lake is one of the last best places in Montana where you can fully connect with nature, with minimal human disruption of the ecosystem. Climbing up the trails, you can easily see for yourself, as the views open up and showcase an almost untouched land, stretching to the Mission Mountains.

In regards to the lodge in particular, I can certainly see the reasoning for wanting to improve and update the current establishment. But expanding beyond the current lands would be a foolish waste of what makes Montana the home we know and love. Update and expand with the land that's currently given, and leave the public lands to the public; or more importantly, the wildlife that flourishes within it.