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Comments: I believe this is a very disturbing expansion proposal by Vail. The most troubling aspect of the proposal is that this expansion will be a restricted use area - only available for the "privileged" members of the Vail ski racing teams. Yet the expansion is on public land and the public will not have access to it.

Besides that troubling aspect of the expansion, the unspoiled top of Golden Peak is absolutely gorgeous in the fall with the golden aspens - of course it is beautiful year round. This expansion will destroy a very beautiful and very visible area - visible from the town of Vail, from all the homes in the valley, particularly on the north side of Vail and from I-70.

I strongly urge you to reject this proposal both as it is an improper use of public land and as it destroys a beautiful natural vista. And I have not even mentioned the additional issues of increased congestion in the Golden Peak area and the lack of parking for all of the additional expected traffic and additional strain on the public bus system.

Please feel free to contact me for follow-up or if additional questions.

Thank you.

-Michael Swartz