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Comments: Mt Rose Ski Tahoe Area Expansion

I stand with the snowlands position, please do what the federal government promised to and never allow commercial development on this parcel. But, if you still choose to do so, I hope there will still be public access to this beautiful area.

SNOWLANDS POSITION

The position of Snowlands is to oppose expansion of the resort. We therefore are supporting Alternative #1, the No-Action alternative. While the proposed expansion mitigates somewhat the impact of a downhill resort taking over use of public land, the lifts will be installed within one-quarter mile of a popular backcountry tour. It is not know whether or not the lifts will be visible from the Galena Creek drainage.

If one of the action alternatives (2 or 3) is selected and the expansion approved, Snowlands would like to see the following mitigation measures implemented:

- *Permanent protection for the 3,446 acres north of the highway
- *Continued free public access to the Atoma area (including those accompanied by dogs)
- *Designated uphill and downhill routes for the non-paying public
- *Public access to any restrooms on public land
- *Continued public access to public forest service land being operated as part of a Special Use Permit, contingent upon safety concerns

Thank-you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Marcy Lienau