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Comments: Hello,

I'm a founding board member of the Catamount Trail Association and former co-chair of that organization's board. I'm also founder and president of Camel's Hump Nordic Skiers Association. I'm writing in support of the following projects to further the goals of the VT Huts Association.

I'm commenting in support of:

- The construction of a four-season hut off the Camp Loop Trail at Grout Pond

- Improving water quality and sanitation at the Grout Pond Campground

- Construction of approximately 2.0 miles of new trail providing connectivity between the Town of Dover, Mount Snow trails, and the National Forest Trail System.

- Construction of approximately 2.1 miles of trail connecting the proposed mountain bike trails off Handle Road in the Town of Dover to the Deerfield Ridge Trail.

- Construction of approximately 0.4 miles of cross-country ski trail on an existing old skid trail to serve as a collector route for a proposed backcountry ski area off Deerfield Ridge.

- Adding a 0.7 mile existing segment of the Catamount Trail to the National Forest Trail System.

- Development of three backcountry zones in close proximity to Mount Snow off the Deerfield Ridge trail for additional backcountry skiing recreation.

Thanks for considering these actions to further backcountry skiing in Vermont.

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