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Comments: The proposed expansion of the Mission Ridge Ski Resort outside of Wenatchee is any unnecessary extension of disruptive activity in an area already heavily used for recreation. Washington has an array of ski resorts situated on USFS lands that operate under a special use permit, and I believe these resorts have an obligation to be simple ski destinations and nothing more, places where as many people as possible (from varied backgrounds) can afford to go. A development project like this will pander to certain economic brackets of our society, dilute the purpose of the current resort, and degrade wildlife habitat further. I fear what an expansion like this at Mission Ridge could lead to a cascade of expansions in other USFS-positioned ski resorts in Washington in the future... places like Stevens, Crystal, Baker, etc. In my view Washington's ski resorts on public lands don't need to expand with its growing population base. Nature is not a commodity to be produced on demand for human recreation. Particularly when this is done at the expense of the ecosystems, habitats, and wildlife that make these areas so valuable to begin with.