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Comments on: Lutsten Mountains Ski Area Expansion Proects  
proposed

I appreciate the chance to submit comments on the expansion. Given the uncertainties associated with the COVID-19 pandemic as well as climate change does this expansion seem one to prioritize now or in the future? For whom would it be profitable? Not likely the area residents.

I wonder, too, whether the Anishinaabe were given word of this project, because it ignores the 1854 Treaty rights. Ignoring their rights is not the way to go forward.

Most of all consider the climate crisis. How does anyone justify consuming the amount of energy and water to make six inches of snow for that vast area? This is Minnesota. Let's be sports about outdoor sports. Let's live with and deal with what Mother Nature provides, not take more at the cost of breaking treaties and using more energy and water just so some people can enjoy our great outdoors while the resort owners hope to "Make it snow to rake in dough." No, please consider taking care of and protecting what Nature has given us for generations to come.

Please give more thought to the negative consequences of this proposed expansion at Lutsen and deny the expansion. Thank you.