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Comments: I am opposed to most of the expansion plans for Grand Targhee resort. I am a skier and 38 year resident of Teton Valley.

Here are reasons I am opposed to this. Most of them are issues that are on going or will be an effect of the expansion. All of them affect me and my neighbors.

1. Lack of affordable housing in Teton Valley:like Jackson our valley will become a haven for the rich. This valley will no longer provide adequate housing needs for everyone.

2. Wildlife impacts. It obvious to us that Teton canyon and it's surroundings are critical winter range for large game such as moose and deer. We have not really addressed these human/wildlife issues as the resort is now. How about solving this problem before making it worse?

3. Infrastructure, transportation issues: we already have issues with traffic and congestion in Teton Valley. We cannot manage the influx of guests this change would bring.

4. Public access to Teton canyon: this is big! It is wrong to limit public access to the south development proposed. Public land belongs to everyone and should stay that way. Not everyone can afford lift tickets.

5. Rural values: Teton Valley residents value the quiet rural lifestyle. Many of us oppose the commercialization of the valley. Leave no doubt an expansion of this scale means commercialization for our towns.

6. Resort parking: it is already a nightmare. Too many cars, too many wildlife collisions, too much frustration to drive up there, not adequate public transportation, too much traffic. Sounds like an problem made worse.

Final comments: I love this Valley. Like the wildlife, I'm not going anywhere, but this decision will have a huge impact on my life. Do not just listen to big money, please. Be a Public servant and do the right thing.

I have lived in the West my entire life, and even in my lifetime have watched while large Eastern interests arrived and exploited our resources, usually leaving a mess in the wake. We can learn from this, but will we?