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I object to Grand Targhee being granted any expansion permissions for many reasons.

1. Teton Canyon is Public Land. This area is already stretched with over use. Conflict already exists with winter users over dogs not being overseen. Dog excrement is all over the trails.
2. Teton Canyon summer use is over running every aspect of the canyon. Bikers, hikers, campers are tripping over one another already.
3. Teton Canyon does not need more use. Expanding a roaded area to service lifts is unthinkable. Plowing existing roads further is a desecration.
4. Grand Targhee has extensive plans already approved and not developed. Let them work in the parameters of those proposals.
5. Grand Targhee has not addressed historical overflow parking issues in the past. Most of this demand is from locals and season residents looking for powder. Long waiting lines to enter parking are not acceptable. Other solutions are ignored.
6. Ski industry has a shrinking market, ski dollars are limited. Targhee is dreaming to think south exposures at lower elevations are attractive.
7. Expanding winter terrain is a joke. Bike trails have degraded hundreds of acres of terrain leaving these acres unskiable.
8. GTR was once a powder snow ski area. Skiing powder for more than 4-5 runs is already a thing of the past. Powder is gone in an hour with current lift service. More uphill capacity will only shorten time till powder is gone.