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Comments: I just bought another pass for Lutsen Mountains. I very much so enjoy skiing here. This resort is where I learned to ski and hope to be able to afford year after year. I am not so naïve to assume that the pass price will not sky rocket for a season or for a day pass. The balance that Lutsen Mountains is trying to create between beginners and advanced skiers might rebound as they will loose a demographic of beginners- the low incomers. People who want to get access to a sport can not justify spending \$100+ for just seven hours of access to the resort as this price does not include any clothing, gear or lesson/ instruction. This \$100 is the current price for an adult. Lutsen Mountains will also be closing the door on the group of folks who may not be beginners but fall into the low income class. Myself included. I might not be able to afford the pass in the future even with the local discount.

On the other end of the spectrum there is the advanced and adventurous skiers. They do not need or want Lutsen Mountains to build them chairlift access to something they have already been skiing. The proposed expansion area to the SW of Moose Mnt is already used by folks- advanced or novice skiers who want an entirely different type of skiing no resort can offer called backcountry skiing. As a community we need to keep the undeveloped areas outside of the boundaries undeveloped and untouched as a service to those who currently use it and for the generations to come.