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Comments: This expansion is critical to the continued viability of Lutsen Mountains. Other resorts in the Upper Midwest have failed to invest in infrastructure and have lost a dramatic portion of their revenue, shuttered, or have been acquired by the State and are being operated at a loss. Lutsen Mountains is one of the main drivers of revenue in Cook County, as well as a significant employer. The expansion, as proposed, is thoughtfully designed to attract more of the kinds of guests that this resort needs -- beginner and low intermediate terrain for novice skiers that spend just a few days on the slopes a year. I strongly support this expansion plan, specifically the latest version that eliminates the proposal to add lifts on the backside of Moose Mountain and focuses instead on additional terrain on the front side of Moose Mountain and the (perhaps even more important) new terrain on Eagle Mountain.