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Comments: I oppose the expansion of the Lutsen ski area onto public lands. This project will further deface the lakeside of Moose Mountain which is visible to all North Shore tourists. I am not interested in enriching the owners of the ski resort, and I am concerned about the significant increase in winter traffic on Highway 61. Winter is the one season we have on the North Shore that we get relief from all the tourists that flood into the area. Many residents reside here because of the wilderness experiences available in this cherished part of Minnesota, and the limited commerce. The comments made by SHTA were of particular interest as related to environmental impacts. Also, why should hikers feel the need to give up their passion and vistas of Lake Superior from public lands for the purpose of adding 8 ski runs and all the required infrastructure? I prefer to keep the ski area the same size as it exists today and preserve the charm of the North Shore.