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Dear US Forestry,
I urge you not to allow ANY form of Lutsen ski area expansion. Their greed and assault on the environment continues to shock me!

Lutsen has already shown its disdain for the environment when it asked for and received authorization from the MNDNR (why are we not surprised?) to dramatically increase water withdrawal from the Poplar River, a designated trout stream. At approval time we note that the DNR knew that Lutsen was withdrawing much more water than was permitted. And that the Poplar R. flow was low. Why? To make more snow earlier and later in the ski season.

One concludes that any expansion will come with another demand for increased water withdrawal as well as the observation that Lutsen continues to flaunt permit specs by stealing more water. Yes, they steal our precious water from all of us.

And now they're back requesting permission to deface our beautiful wilderness. Again I urge the response:

No, never again, we protect not exploit the water and the wilderness here.
Peace,
ML Wilm