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Comments: strong objection to Lutsen Mountain Ski Area Expansion Project

To Whom It May Concern:

I am strongly opposed to the expansion of the Lutsen Mountain Ski Area. It would create a serious disruption to the Superior Hiking Trail, which I use regularly. Even if the trail were re-routed, it would destroy the best views from the Oberg Mountain Loop Trail, which look out over the Western slopes of Lutsen Mountain. The Oberg Loop Trail has become tremendously popular -- so much so that at peak times of the year you can't get anywhere near the large parking lot. It's by far the most populated portion of the trail that I have seen. Many, many people would be severely disappointed if they were to see this extensive commercial development instead of the stunningly beautiful wilderness vistas that are there now.

We've already seen a tremendous amount of development in Cook County over the 70 years of my life. Please act to preserve the natural beauty of this area before it is destroyed to the point that the county is no longer worth visiting!

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