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Good day,

First let me tell you I have been a skier for my entire adult life, both alpine and nordic.

I am an intermediate skier but always start out on the green hills, the beginner runs. I never have felt slighted or bored with the runs currently at Lutsen. I think there are like 3 to 4 of them at Lutsen.

I am also a hiker, I love the SHT, I am an avid lover of all things wild, the forest, the sky and that beautiful great lake we are stewards for.

My boyfriend and I just bought a place outside of Lutsen last fall, and have a place in NE Minneapolis.

So I wonder:

I have never seen long lines at Lutsen - so why expand?

Can't they utilize what they already have?

Can they support making more snow without endangering the Poplar river's flow?

I haven't read the EIS, so I apologize, these statements are pure top of mind.

With climate change raging at our feet, lack of wild spaces rare, a night sky that's precious as well - can we just say no to one business and let future generations enjoy a little of what we all have?

I would not be opposed to a very LIMITED expansion - based on current need not some business model projections..

And lastly, if they are taking taxpayer funded land the least they could do is step up their recycling program at their fast-food facilities - have you ever ate at one? They could do way better.

Thank you!

Audrey Cullen