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Friends,

I'm writing in opposition to the expansion of the Lutsen Mountains Ski Area. I live in Tofte and have a vested interest in development and planning in the area. I'm against the expansion for a number of reasons including:

- \* I do not support the use of public lands in support of private, for-profit organizations.
- \* I don't believe Lutsen Mountains Ski area has developed a compelling rational or demonstrated a need to expand. Other than increased profits (greed) I've seen no evidence from the public that such an expansion is warranted.
- \* Further expansion will increase traffic and the need for housing in the area. Housing is already in short supply and one of the draws of the north shore is the lack of traffic. Further development would seem to be undermining the very thing that makes the area popular.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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