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I just finished reading today's Duluth News Tribune article about the proposed expansion of the Lutsen Mountains Ski Area. It seems to be a balanced account of public opinions about the project, both pro and con. I am sure you have heard all of these opinions, so I will keep this simple. I strongly support the environmentalists, Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, and the Leech Lakeband of Ojibwe, as well as others, in opposing this project.

I would ask that you also consider the impact on traffic in Duluth. For much of it's length through east Duluth neighborhoods, London Road consists of one lane in each direction. My husband and I previously lived on London Road for 36 years. During morning and evening rush hours the traffic was stop and go. On late spring through early fall weekends, traffic was stop and go due to people heading to resorts or their cabins in northern Minnesota. Frankly, I don't think that London Road can handle the increase in traffic that the expansion of the Ski Area would precipitate.

Please don't allow another commercial project to sully our beautiful northern forests. This land is a state as well as national treasure, that should be off limits to development.

Sincerely,

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