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Comments: Dear James Duran, Carson Forest Supervisor,

As a parciante of acequias, I have several objections to the proposed Taos Ski Valley Inc. developments planned.

I request:

- A full environmental impact study, impacts on the Rio Hondo water quality, to include forest health and wildlife.
- Full disclosure of TSV water rights and proof that there is enough water currently available to support the expansion without further draining of springs, groundwater and streams.
- Full disclosure of any TSV Inc. water right permit violations, including any exceeding use for snow-making.
- A functioning Water Treatment Plant that can handle peak tourist water use.

I oppose:

- 5,000,000 gallon water tank near lift #2.
- High-Speed Gondola along the Lake Fork of the Rio Hondo that will cause unnecessary destruction & disturbance to the stream and corridor.
- Nordic/snow-shoe trail system on forested mountainside above the Rio Hondo. This would require forest-thinning and grading that would cause erosion and disturb wildlife.
- More commercial construction such as hotels that would increase water demand on the headwater reserve, springs, groundwater and tributaries.

The valley communities and subsistence farming below depend on the quality and quantity of water already utilized over generations. A more recently established corporate business at the headwaters does not override the needs of quality water by communities downstream.

From:

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