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Comments: I have been a frequent visitor and skier in Taos Ski Valley over many years and more recently have become a property owner in the area. I am writing in support of the TSV Master Development plan. I base this support on the confidence I have in the TSV owners, their investment and their stewardship of the ski valley to date. As a regular skier in the area the decline of the mountain and its facilities was apparent for all to see. Since Louis Bacon and his team took over the management of the ski valley, the mountain has become a vibrant place I want to visit and spend time with my friends and family.

Taking each part of the plan in turn,

1. Base to Base Gondola - will allow my wife, a non skier, an opportunity to meet the rest of the family at the Bavarian for lunch. It will also relieve traffic and parking at the Williams Lake trailhead.
2. Replacement of Lift 2 and Lift 8 - these lifts are well past their "sell-by-date", and not up to the standard and speed of any resort I have been to in North America.
3. Water Storage Tank and Booster Station for Fire Suppression and Snowmaking -as a homeowner in the area, the additional fire suppression ability provided by this tank is an obvious advantage.
4. Nordic and Snowshoe Trails - My wife does not alpine ski and we would enjoy more non-skiing amenities.
5. On-Mtn Restaurant and Whistlestop Replacement- the food and shelter options currently available on the mountain are woefully inadequate. An upgrade and additional restaurant would be a huge plus.
6. Hiking Trail in the Lift 4 Area - we would make use of this in the summer months and it would be nice to be able to access the Lift 4 area by the proposed gondola.

In summary I am in strong favor of the TSV Master development plan. Thank you for your consideration.