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Comments: What has gotten into the Forest Service? This Holland Lake project is about as thoughtless, greedy, and offensive as it's possible to get--they keep three structures so USFS can call it an "existing development" and bring in 175 people and their accommodations? Are you kidding? And there's been no grizzly bear activity around Holland Lake for 17 years? Says who? Try asking the scientists at USFWS and the bear biologists of MT FWP for information on bear activity and travel patterns. How did anything as overbearingly stupid as this project get as far as it has? Those of us with long history in the Swan-Clearwater see this exactly as what it is, a pre-emptive strike by yet another out of state interest to screw the people who live here and made positive contributions to the region -- in my family's case, a slew of books celebrating Montana and recording its history, A River Runs through It, Young Men and Fire, Fire on the Mountain, Home Waters, and more, including an OpEd in the Washington Post last fall about Sen. Daines holding up the Blackfoot Clearwater Stewardship Act for no articulated reason.