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Comments: Dear Supervisor Steele,

My wife and I are, respectfully, OPPOSED to the Holland Lake Lodge expansion plan. We are nearby landowners and frequently recreate on Holland Lake. While we understand the project as proposed could have been far more aggressive than currently planned, we believe the existing proposed changes would significantly adversely impact the character of the Holland Lake experience enjoyed by local community members and visitors for many decades. The peace and serenity of Holland Lake affords an increasingly rare recreational experience these days and we believe all efforts ought to be made to protect special places like Holland Lake from changes that diminish this type of recreational opportunity (especially when it's at the base of the largest designated wilderness area in the lower 48 states). The current proposal runs counter to these interests.

Having said this, we are also cognizant of the potential need for upgrading existing facilities to accommodate modern expectations from visitors, as well as to improve heating/cooling and other efficiencies and would therefore favor a much more scaled down approach to meeting these needs than is currently proposed. Were there to be a revised proposal that:

- 1. maintains the historical character of the Lodge and it's grounds while upgrading the existing cabins, lodge, and associated facilities,
- 2. doesn't significantly change the overall footprint of on-site buildings, and
- 3. doesn't significantly increase total guest capacity from its current level, we'd be far more likely to support the project.

We appreciate the opportunity to share our perspective. Thank you kindly for your time and consideration.