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Comments: I am astonished that the Forest Service is proposing to categorically exclude the proposed Holland Lake Lodge Expansion from a thorough environmental analysis. The Holland Lake landscape is currently very natural, scenic and unspoiled. If this proposed immense expansion expansion is allowed to occur, it will become the dominant feature on this prized landscape and totally despoil it. And also highly commercialize it.

A 13000 square feet lodge with 28 rooms, 16 rental cabins, a 3,000 sq. ft. restaurant plus several other support buildings will have a huge negative imprint on the scenic, natural, wildlife and quiet values of this very special place. This new lodge is designed to attract hundreds of people to what has been a very quiet laid back setting.

What will happen to the population of loons which are enjoyed by so many visitors to Holland Lake? Could the loon population survive the onslaught of such a huge increase in human activity?

There are numerous other undesirable outcomes which I could describe. It is very clear that this huge proposed expansion of the Holland Lake Lodge would have great negative environmental impacts on the Holland Lake landscape and these impacts deserve a thorough analysis by the Forest Service. I request that a full and complete Environmental Impact Statement be done by the Forest Service.



