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Comments: This proposal will drastically alter and change the very feel and nature of the public land around Holland Lake and has potential to have detrimental impacts to wildlife, local watershed, viewscape and noise. A long time user of Holland Lake, I hope my grandkids can have the same user experience that we have had. It's true that the number of users are increasing, that's a fact. But the attraction is the simplicity of the experience, the appeal of the history and the historic nature of the lodge, harkening to simpler times.

This isn't an "upgrade," it's a substantial change and the potential impacts to the user experience and the very feel and nature of the place warrant a full EIS, not a categorical exclusion to approve the project. The proposed change certainly won't "preserve the spirit and integrity" as the former owner states, or make it more "soulful" as the developers ridiculously claim.

It's turning an old, seasonal, historic hunting lodge built by locals into a large year-round resort built by a large out-of-state "adventure lifestyle" corporation that owns 10 ski resorts. They plan to triple the size and capacity of the place and construct several new buildings, including a 13,000-square-foot lodge with 28 rooms, a 3,000-square-foot restaurant, a 2,000-square-foot welcome center for check-in, and 26 new cabins.

Categorical exclusion? No. This requires a thorough environmental assessment.