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Comments: Good Day,

I am writing in regards to the Holland Lake Lodge Expansion project currently being decided upon. Holland Lake is one of the best sites in the Seely-Swan valley for a relaxing time close to the water's edge. The close tree cover, and several open sides of the lake make it perfect for beach goers, and the shallow drift required to get into the lake limits the size of water craft. My family first vacationed at the lake in 2000, and I have gone back every summer, and a couple autumns, that I have been able.

One of the main reasons I keep coming back is the availability of locations available to the public to recreate at the lake. The camp ground is often full, but the extensive shoreline normally has many spots that are great for a hot Montana summer afternoon.

As you may have gathered at this point, I oppose the sale and privatization of more of the public shoreline. I believe that the development may garner short term gains in area revenues, but the long term implications of developing more of the low lying areas and shoreline, home to many species like turtles, deer and birds, would have negative long term effects on the area, and negatively affect the appeal of the recreation. The additional traffic on the roadway, drawn by the larger accommodations, would also increase the likelihood of animal strikes and the dust that floats into the camp ground.