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Comments: The Holland Lake Lodge proposed expansion is not an appropriate action for this area. The construction of additional facilities, along with the impact of the construction itself, threatens both biological and historic resources in and around this special place. With the expansion will bring a change to the very character of Holland Lake, diminishing its inherent value as a desired area for low impact recreation and use. Furthermore, we need not look further than Glacier National Park to see the negative consequences of additional traffic, use, and commercialization of wilderness areas for the financial benefit of out-of-state entities who shirk their responsibility and have no connection to the land. As a professional cultural resource manager and historic preservationist, it also raises questions of retaining integrity within the context of tribal interests for their native landscape. These areas are often places of cultural importance and sacredness. To move forward with this project is to allow yet another development chip away at what makes Montana such an amazing place to live and visit.