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Comments: Please do not ruin such a beautiful part of Montana. Commercialization of its natural beauty and quiet defeats the beauty and quiet! The ecosystems of our state and all of the wildlife for which people love and admire Montana is destroyed by projects like this. There are nesting loons on Holland Lake! According to your own website (https://fwp.mt.gov/conservation/wildlife-management/common-loon), they are a species of concern and Montana has the largest Common Loon population in the U.S. because it is one of the last places they have the open spaces and clear, undisturbed water and shorelines. Your website states that "the biggest threat to loons is human disturbance." This project does just that--disturbs. It disturbs the habitat, beauty, and whole reason people love this state! Keep Montana Wild! If we don't, it'll just be like everywhere else and there will be nothing left to make it the special place it is for ALL species to thrive in and enjoy. Please, shut down this project!! There are things more important than money!