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Comments: As a lifelong Montanan, it is pretty disappointing to watch our great state of natural attractions, turn into a state of tourist attractions. What I mean by this is, Montana used to be a state of natural conservation, natural resources, and natural beauty. While many of those remain, many parts of the state are starting to be exploited for profiteering, by companies that do not reside in the state, to further their own gain and wealth. Yes we live in a capitalistic society, but at what point does the state of Montana reserve the right to refuse such actions by these companies.

Holland Lake is arguably one of the top ten most beautiful spots in Montana. Of course that's personal opinion from someone who has lived here all their life, but anyone within their right mind would most likely cater to that argument. How on earth does the state of Montana think it is acceptable to allow an outside corporation come into the state, destroy historic landmarks around the lake, and turn it into a tourist attraction. There is no reason for it. Let the attraction be the natural beauty of the lake. Let the interests be that of the natural recreation activities that are available like hiking, swimming, camping, etc. There is no need for a 13,000 square foot lodge. There is no need to overpopulate the area with so many people. If it is the motto of the Forest Service of "Caring For the Land and Serving the People", then the Forest Service and the state of Montana should step in and not allow this atrocity to occur.

I am a business man, graduated with a business degree with a focus of business management. I have previously study environmental sciences as well as wildlife biology. I understand the importance of profit and revenue streams for companies. Allowing out of state companies however, is not the solution, especially when it is at the cost of our state's great beauty and aura. If the mindset is growth of Montana's economy, then allow an in state company to have first call on Holland Lake, allow an in state company the opportunity to not only be local, but help grow the economy internally, not externally. Allow an in state company the opportunity to maintain the morals and standards of Montanas and the respect we have for our great state.

The rational and morals of companies nowadays resemble that of only greed and wealth. It's been bad enough with the growth of cities and towns all over in Montana, do not allow more external factors outweigh the greatness of what this state has to offer