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Comments: Where to begin....there are so many issues with this proposal that need to be addressed.

1. Why does this expansion not qualify for and EIP? This is not a simple remodel of existing buildings, it is a MAJOR expansion. Water quality, shoreline erosion and impacts on the fish, and wildlife...especially the nearby nesting loons need to be considered. What provisions will be made to protect them?
2. Lake usage. Has anyone considered how much more traffic will be on the lake? On just 1 day this summer, I counted NO LESS than 50 kayaks and paddleboards in addition to a few motorboats and fishing boats. This does not even count the number of people swimming in the swimming area. Add an addition 100 guests and that number will double. I think this is asking for trouble.
3. Why will they be allowed to build so close to the lake when all other buildings have historically been required to be set back and not so visible from the lake? Can the plans be altered to move the new lodge back and leave trees for screening in front so there is less visual impact?
4. Lodge design. Why the Adirondack style? That does not fit with the local, MONTANA architecture. The design should more closely match the existing, historic lodge so it will be less noticeable.
5. This does not need to be a modern lodge with all the amenities. People already come from around the world to experience the peaceful atmosphere and rustic lifestyle. We don't need more "glamping" for the rich and famous. How about making it affordable for an average family to have a get-a-way in the scenic wilderness. Will locals be ALLOWED and or encouraged to frequent the restaurant? Currently, we are rudely told we are unwelcome...no wonder they are having trouble making money.

To sum up....I oppose this expansion proposal as is presented and request that they are not excluded from and EIP. This is Montana at its finest and we will ALL LOSE if this is approved.