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Comments: Hello, I am writing to urge you to decline the lease of of Holland Lake lodge property and decline the approval of new lodge, buildings and parking lots on site. I am a Montana native. I grew up in Butte and my family spent 2 weeks every summer of my childhood at Holland lake. Small lakes such as Holland should not be ruined due to corporate interests. Tearing down the existing lodge and structures would be heartbreaking. I remember visiting the lodge, swimming off the dock, hiking to the waterfall, mountain biking through the woods and recreating on this warm, quiet lake growing up. It created lasting memories and was the reason we went back every year. This is what makes Montana so special. There are still places like this left. Allowing this corporation to come in pushes us closer and closer to becoming the nightmare that's happening in Colorado. Over the last 2 years, Montana has become a hotspot for out of states moving in. Please don't give in to the corporate interest in this state and keep it the last best place. Holland is a very special place that is sure to be ruined and trampled by tourists if this is allowed to go through.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. I hope you don't make this decision quickly or lightly. It has massive repercussions on the Montana people who grew up here and still utilize these beautiful resources.