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Comments: To whom it may concern, I oppose the proposed development on Holland lake.

I've been going to Holland lake since high school when we did a backpacking trip as part of the Montana Conservation Corp. I remember feeling that Holland Lake embodies the ideals of Montana as "the last best place". Free of human luxury and influence but accessible enough for everyone to enjoy. The lake view unaltered by development, just the beauty of nature at its finest.

Growing up I spent a few years in Estes Park, CO when my fathers job transferred him for a few years. I remember everywhere you went to explore the wilderness was covered in mansions, no access/private property signs, and wealthy stores and lodges. Coming from MT this was so different from what I was used to, the message was clear "if you don't have money you don't belong".

I fear approval of this expansion on Holland lake will make this area, loved by locals and tourists alike, inaccessible unless you have the money to pay up. This area will become a wealthy playground much like Big Sky or Estes Park where only the rich can enjoy.

Approval of this project will ruin this area for generations to come. Going up in MT has taught me nature is best enjoyed when it is allowed to thrive and not blocked or limited by your ability to pay. Views are best enjoyed without houses or human intervention. In fact one of my favorite photos was taken last fall at Holland lake, the mountains with a dusting a snow, the larch trees turning yellow, and all that free of human development.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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