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Comments: n a community with a long history of conservation, sustainability and collaboration this project is void of any of those principles and has not offered a proper and transparent notice to the community of Condon nor to the people of Montana who recreate here. It good to hear there has been some extension to the comment period and more informational meetings have been planned but the project grossly lacks proper adequate environmental review for a project of this scope and magnitude. The new corporate partnership isn't simply up grading an outhouse. In fact quite the opposite. Building a 28 room lodge, 3 fold sized restaurant and 26 new cabins!! with 4x the historic use when you include the restaurant potential. On top of that, the number of mature healthy trees being proposed to be removed to accomplish this mega project will greatly alter the historic ambience of the lake and thermal cover of the area's landscape. All a far cry from the current quaint allure of the lodge nestled among the conifers. A project of this magnitude under any circumstance would be subject to environmental review especially in an area of abundant threatened and endangered species that is also a major corridor between two wilderness areas, gateway to the Bob and sets directly adjacent to the pristine head waters of the Swan watershed feeding the entire Crown of the Continent.

Having called the Swan Valley my home for decades and working there as an educator and facilitator of natural resource conservation education my entire working career I'm quite well aware the human footprint at Holland Lake is already highly impactful. Look at the shoreline and all the trail systems.. eroding dirt void of vegetation everywhere you look. The area already has had over use and this project guarantees further degregation. The noxious species are exponential in numbers and diversity and already taking over the landscape. This large scale development bringing increased use will continue to aggravate that condition and will forever alter the magical allure of this fragile ecosystem.

The community of Condon is already stretched for emergency medical services provided exclusively by volunteers. The hwy is already dangerous enough with more and more traffic and accidents each and every year. Holland Lake road is already very busy and very dangerous every afternoon/evening as the setting sun blinds you as you drive to the west. I've had many close calls heading west when I lived on the Clark Ranch up past the packer camp ...which also draws more people and livestock to the already high use area. Where will all these new visitors buy their gas? We have 2 pumps that are already maxed out during the summer months. The area lacks adequate escape routes for that many people should there be a fire. The Condon community doesn't have the infrastructure for a project of this magnitude and the increase of visitors it will attract. This proposed project will greatly compound all the shortcomings we already have in our remote area by increasing use, more noise, more pollution, more impact and more people for longer periods of time all greatly affecting the viewshed and ambience of the lake. Who in Montana could afford the expensive fee that will likely be charged to come enjoy our public lands (key word PUBLIC.) As land managers the USFS's role is not to sustain private enterprise but to protect and sustain our most precious renewal resources and build resilience into our landscape especially with a changing climate.

Please put on the brakes and honor the community of Condon and the people of Montana with continued adequate time to comment and require proper environmental review for a project of this impactful magnitude. This project is a major development with everlasting ramifications not only to the pristine area that is a gateway to the wilderness but the entire community of Condon. Along with a longer operating season (thats only been vaguely described) during what has traditionally been an essential time of rest purification and solitude for the Holland Lake area and it's native inhabitants. This project is absolutely not in line with the rustic remote historic character and charm of the area which was the flavor of the original permit. It is not in anyone's best interest except the corporate partnership that is pushing it through. There is nothing rustic about a 5 star destination resort with all the amenities. We don't want our community to become the next Big Sky which all started with just

one lodge and now it's the fastest growing 'city' in MT. Hwy 83 already feels like the Gallatin Canyon at times this summer. That concerning.

Please protect the forest and lake sustainability and not promote exploitation of natural resources and capital profit gain for private enterprise at such a great cost to the people of Montana and the integrity of our most precious heritage.. the land that embraces us. With the overwhelming opposition from the community and the people of Montana .. we thank you for reconsidering your actions towards this mega project that is highly detrimental to the ecological, cultural and social well being of the entire Swan Valley and most particularly the calming powers of Holland Lake. Thank you!