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Comments: I understand wanting to bring more business to an area and to possibly provide more jobs but the flip side to that is we end up with a "resort" that can't be enjoyed by locals, people from out of state who decide they must buy property in Montana, and the disrespect to our lands and our way of life. Montanans are facing struggles due to "progress". I grew up in Western MT, my mother and her parents grew up in MT, the changes that have happened to our state are not positive. Bozeman as an example, it has grown and resorts have popped up and it has not been for the better. Places that were once enjoyed by everyone is now limited to only those with the money. Homes around these resorts are worth millions and property is out of reach for the locals or even those moving in from out of state that have limited budgets. I'm all for allowing everyone to enjoy what Montana has to offer but I don't think we need to make it a rich man's playground, by doing this we are taking away what makes Montana special.