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Comments: The Forest Service document explaining the expansion says, "Based on a preliminary assessment, intentions are to categorically exclude the proposed project from documentation in an environmental impact statement or an environmental assessment." Categorical exclusions are the fastest version of an environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act and are not as rigorous as an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement.

Holland Lake is very small and is environmentally sensitive. The area is pristine and must be preserved without further development. Removing most of the historical structures and building numerous new structures on the site would have dramatic negative affects on the environment and natural esthetics of the area. We insist you reconsider your preliminary assessment and move forward with rigorous environmental impact study on this proposed development.

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