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Comments: It befuddles the imagination that a Forest Supervisor would attempt to push this expansion through in Montana's Swan Valley and directly next to our Bob Marshall Wilderness.

Does a modern development belong here.....absolutely not. Hell I'll bet the vast majority of folks would love for the current lodge to be removed entirely from the lake. The main uses of the lake are campers, hikers to Holland falls, boat use, fishing, and the main westside access into the 2 million acre Bob Marshall Wilderness. Why the USFS continually thinks we need more infrastructure so the "people" can enjoy their federal lands needs to be questioned. This lodge has rarely been open to the public for the last 20 years, no regular hours, and nothing but a glorified wedding venue for wealthy patrons. Does the average person horse packing or hiking into the Bob Marshall want to see a large modern facility as they switchback up the trail into the Bob. This project will only enrich the new and former owners and be a venue for wealthy out of state types.

Heck lets start a movement to get rid of this place for good. Cancel the lease and remove everything from federal lands. This place is in prime lynx, grizzly, and wolverine habitat.....and I mean these species exist within hundreds of yards of the current lodge. How anyone thinks this could pass environmental muster is beyond comprehension. Hell, its a 2 year process for someone to get a single septic permit on 10 acres of dryland in Missoula county these days, how could this possibly ever get approved lakeside. What's going to happen the next time a large fires is in the area. Another massive fireline or back fires will be needed to protect a large corporations project.

I am overjoyed to see the 99% of heavy opposition to this project. If there is any push within the USFS to get this expansion approved beyond "normal process" they (forest sup) oughtta be removed immediately. I hark back to the days when rangers and forest supervisors were men that patrolled their forests on horseback, fought fires, cleared trails, and knew their ground. The current crop of morons running this agency from district ranger offices and forest supervisor headquarters wouldn't know the ass from the head of a horse....spineless office flunky paper pushers doing nothing but floating around as they move up the GS scale.

God help Montana