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Comments: I am writing to oppose the new development of Holland Lake Lodge by some Utah resort company. You obviously are not doing adequate economic and environmental analysis of this project. This will disrupt every aspect of local life for those who have lived in the area or had the privilege of visit and enjoy that land over the last century. That you would push this project on a fast track that avoids the standard reviews, and EIS's is a violation of your first duty to conserve National Forest for the benefit and enjoyment of ALL of the people. This will privatize land and wilderness access to the detriment of the public at large. On top of that, it simply isn't needed and should not be allowed to even start.

Many years ago, I was one of the people that worked on the initial development of Big Sky. All sort of promises were made about the protection of the surrounding lands. Because of the "checkerboard" ownership of the lands, the Forest Service was certain it would be able to keep a restraint on expansive development. The developers made legal commitments to constrain and control expansion. Well, Chet Huntley died, Everett Kircher bought it for dimes on the dollar, managed to pull off extensive land swaps to eliminate all Forest Service involvement and create a massive development that is a blight on the Montana landscape. I thought I was being a pioneer there; I'm sorry to have been any part of it now and can't stand to even look at the place.

Don't think for a minute that the developers will be satisfied with only what they have in this initial proposal, they want to challenge Big Sky in the scope of what they carve out of that uniquely Montana landscape.

You have an obligation to honestly evaluate this projects, that takes TIME. This development does not benefit Montana, Montanans, or the American public.