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Comments: I've lived in Western Montana for my entire 38 years, most of it split between the Missoula and Flathead Valleys; both roughly equidistant from Holland Lake . I am raising my kids here so they can enjoy the same values and experiences that I had as a child and young adult. Holland Lake Lodge is a very special place. My parents honeymooned there in 1978 and I have enjoyed hiking the falls and visiting the shores with my kids over the years. I have reviewed the proposed development plan and studied the prospective buyer. Honestly, I think this proposal is very fair and the buyer is very reasonable. I would commend the current owner of the last 20 years for finding a buyer that will care for the land and love the place as much as he does. I'm sure he could have "sold out" to a group with much different intent for more. I think the buyer is sensitive toward environmental and global warming issues. I feel fortunate that if Holland Lake Lodge is going to experience improvements that it isn't coming by way of a large developer that makes every move with only the bottom dollar in mind. POWDR appears to have other interests of the site, its history, and its neighbors in mind. While change is hard, I also see that Holland Lake Lodge in its current condition would be a difficult business venture to consider. Old buildings in a tough environment eventually fall into disrepair and result in what I can only imagine in a business that is difficult to keep profitable and viable. I fear that if there isn't a solution to improve and repair this property soon, that it will fall into disrepair to an extent that there will be 'no return' and the public will lose the ability to experience this property with any amenity. People are very polarized in our current times and Montana has seen a lot of change with the influx of population as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. I hope that people can put their hard-lined NIMBY attitudes aside and realize that what is being proposed is not a drastic change or use of the site, but rather, a complimentary use that will help Holland Lake Lodge be an attractive and viable setting for years to come. Thank you for the ability to review these documents and provide public comment.