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Comments: After reviewing the project documents available on the Forest Service website, I would like to voice my concerns about the proposed Holland Lake Lodge expansion. Holland Lake is a unique and special area of Montana. My family and friends love recreating in the area, both on the lake and the many trails that provide access to the Bob Marshall Wilderness area and are concerned that this proposed development would ruin this special place. As this area is already a popular recreation area, it is concerning that this proposal would bring more people to an area that is already feeling the impacts of use. How would the impact of three times more guests impact the already busy trails in this area? It appears this will make access for locals more difficult. With an increased amount of human traffic, wildlife in the area would also be significantly impacted by a continuously shrinking habitat.

While the lodge proposed to keep a handful of the historical buildings, most of this precious buildings would be removed as made clear on page 12 of the proposal. Only three of the original structures will actually be kept. In essence, this is a completely new development. While the final site plan uses the 1935 map (page 7 of the plan) of the area to justify a larger development, it is made clear by the map on page 13, that this would be a much denser and disruptive development to the view sheds of the lake than the handful of cabins in the current and 1935 plan. This development will greatly detract from the natural view sheds from other recreation points on the lake.

In short, this development does not belong in Holland Lake. This unique area and these unique buildings should be preserved and not erased.