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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I am writing you in opposition of the plans submitted to the forest service for the building expansions on the leased ground at Holland Lake. This lake and its surrounding area cannot sustain this type of growth in accommodations and guests without greatly impacting this area for those who live and recreate there. This is a small lake with a beautiful trail system and campgrounds already in place.

The number of proposed cabins, the large size of a new lodge and restaurant, and various support and outbuildings is unreasonable for the area by trying to accommodate too many people. The size of this expansion would negatively impact the use of the lake, the trailheads and trails, the wildlife, and increase car and foot traffic in untenable ways. I would like to specifically reference the capacity issue that would be created by increasing the number of vessels (boats, paddleboards, kayaks, and canoes) on the lake creating more opportunities for conflict in safe use. There is also simply not enough room at the lower falls destination to allow many people to congregate for viewing. This capacity issue has the potential to create unsafe and hazardous situations.

Approval of this plan would forever change the access to this beautiful wilderness and lake that so many people and even generations of families have enjoyed.

I implore you to consider the afore mentioned reasons over the expansion and increased revenue of a private business on leased United State Forest Service land. Please do not approve this plan!