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Comments: My family, consisting of me, my wife, and 2 grown daughters, have been to Holland Lake, as well as the surrounding wild lands in the Seeley-Swan valley, for the past 30 years, on numerous occasions. Although we live in Missoula, we hike, camp, canoe, and XC ski in this area.

It is very important to us, as you make plans and changes to this area of public lands, that you maintain the wild character of the area. We oppose any change than jeopardizes or threatens that "wild-ness". Turning Holland Lake into a bigger or more affluent destination venue, for financial exploitation, will drastically change the character of this special place. We don't want a glitzy, massive, expensive lodge, restaurant, and cabin complex. If the infrastructure needs upgrading, replaced, or improved, that is appropriate, but if the goal or purpose is to enlarge, expand or inflate the cost, scope, or intent of the amenities of the Holland Lake Lodge area, for wealthy, thrill-seeking, out-of-state visitors, then we are opposed to those changes. The environmental quality and integrity, meaning wildlife, water, and tranquility, must be your highest priorities, as you make decisions about the future of Holland Lake.

Thank you for your consideration.