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 $Comments: I \ live \ in \ the \ first \ neighborhood \ off \ of \ Holland \ Lake \ Road, \ about \ a \ 5 \ minute \ walk \ from \ the \ boat \ launch.$ 

To say I am close to this issue is an understatement. My husband and I live here year-round.

This project and the grand plans POWDR has is absolutely devastating. If everything goes through, my husband and I will probably move somewhere else. My family came to the Bigfork area in 1886, three years before Montana was an official state. To be pushed away from western Montana because of commercial development will be heartbreaking.

The construction and development of a new lodge of such size will ruin not only Holland Lake, but the entire Swan Valley, and it will be so sad to see firsthand. The summer traffic and tourism is already busy and congested, to have year round traffic and noise will be unbearable. The development that is planned for the new lodge and all its grandiose with so many buildings is unimaginable on such a special and secluded lake. Public land should be not be so developed and essentially privatized for money.

My neighborhood and water source flows from Holland Lake via Holland Creek, which fills our water table and well. There is absolute potential that all the construction and deforestation that will take place for the new lodge and buildings will harm me and my neighbor's quality of water. Not to mention, years to come with more people and boats on and around Holland Lake. It will poison the small lake, which cannot handle such density of human waste and leaky fuels.

What about the loons? Loons are already endangered and do not have many natural environments to nest and breed. The loons, as well as me and my family, will be pushed out by this terrible project and its long term harm, fueled by the filth of money.