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Comments: This proposal needs much more intensive analysis than proposed. A Categorical Exclusion is for projects where it is anticipated there will be NO EFFECT on endangered species, and NO IMPACT on wetland and Waters of the U.S. This project could affect grizzly bears, known to be in the area, as well as Canada lynx and bull trout. The proposed new dock should be analyzed for potential effects on fish. The 20-foot shoreline protection zone does not seem adequate to prevent effects from sediment and pollution from runoff and detrimental effects on nearshore habitat for fish. Possible improvements to the wastewater system should be analyzed for effects on surface and groundwater quality.

From the Master Development Plan "With the influx of people visiting and living in the Flathead Valley it is critical to upgrade public facilities and increase access to the outdoors, while still carefully balancing the protection of natural resources." This proposal will improve access for wealthy people. What is really needed is more campground space throughout the Seeley-Swan Valley for the rest of us! Thank you for considering these comments.