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Comments: As a summer resident of the Swan Valley for the past 50 years, I appreciate its rustic nature. That's the best part of living there. The pristine environment once enjoyed by all residents and visitors to the valley has been slowly encroached upon in many ways, but mostly notably through the increased traffic and the effects on wildlife in the area. Now, with the proposed expansion at Holland Lake Lodge, the consequences of "progress" will be felt immediately, and the peace we have come to expect will be taken away once the first shovelful of dirt is displaced.

I cannot make sense of how the developers think that removing 200 trees and adding 20 cabins will be pristine; I cannot understand how the increased traffic up and down Highway 83 will be pristine; I cannot comprehend how the increased traffic on the trails and lake will be pristine; I cannot come to terms with how this project will affect the privacy and habitat of the Bob Marshall Wilderness; and I cannot understand how a "hospitality" company expects to be treated hospitably by the very people it has encroached upon. It seems as though the USFS is trying everything in its power to fast-track this project through by claiming that it will have minor impacts, and I implore this agency to thoroughly and literally follow NEPA guidelines . Thank you.