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Comments: GRAVITY, WATER, NUTRIENTS FROM HUMAN WASTE, ALGAL BLOOMS. As a Master's student in the Engineering Department at the University of Washington, I conducted research on algal growth in four lakes from the headwaters in a high mountain lake through two lakes then into Lake Washington. The increased human activity as you descend from the high mountains resulted in increase in algal growth, and susceptibility to algal blooms. Holland Lake, fed from the pond above Holland Falls, is akin to the second lake in the study drainage with a few houses on septic tanks beginning the process of increasing nutrients that leach into the now crystal clear waters. My concern, hence my objection to degree of proposed expansion, is that algal growth from nutrient load. The proposed expansion at least triples the nutrient load, not counting the expanded Mission Mountain Restaurant. Sprinkling the area with holding pond waters just delays the nutrients from entering Holland Lake, then Swan, then Flathead. Take notice of the harmful algal blooms in the Missouri drainage: Hauser Lake, Lake Helena, or the more pristine Klamath River in Oregon. Calling poison control when a child swims into a HAB is not a substitute for requiring thorough treatment of the waters from this development.

Aggregate used in parking may be good but doesn't it mean the fresh rainwater pushes car/truck leaks and tire shreds into the ground water? The ground water mixes in Holland Lake and Swan River and so on. Even ignoring the negative impacts of construction on ground water, which is the unseen portion of Holland Lake, this quiet, currently pristine area will be forever modified for a different clientele.

Please require a study by independent hydrology and wastewater engineers, picked by current Holland Lake residents and Seeley/Swan council. What are the likely amount and effects of the increased nutrient load and other wastes? I urge a full environmental impact study.

ADVENTURE COMPANY, FOOT IN THE DOOR, HELICOPTORS, LOCAL. POWDR mission statement:

"Authenticity is important to POWDR. Our mountain resorts are community-first and have strong local ties. We honor the essence of our resort communities by curating and integrating the best of all things local. Expect to create memorable experiences at POWDR's amazing mountain resorts."

Look at the programs POWDR offers through Woodward and Adventure Experience. Look more closely at programs run by POWDR at properties it owns. Look at the expansive parking lot at Cooper Mountain. Look at ski acreage claimed (177,000) by POWDERBIRD attached to Snowbird. I love backcountry skiing, but something seems wrong when a heli-group jumps my powder as I walk up. Look at the constant expansion to Lake Eldora since it opened in 1962, as a training ground for C.U. Ski Team. Ask the residences of Nederland, CO if they have been consulted. Look at the advertising to attract national attendance for adventure. Look at the mountain biker ripping along the side hill in the advertising. Will Holland Falls become a climbing mecca? POWDR's past would seem to suggest it will build to profit from this lake and its surroundings, at the expense of the current, quiet, nearly natural experience.

Locals will be pushed out to Lake Alva, increasing the pressure of the loon populations at that lake. POWDR and its subsidiaries don't seem to be about respecting locals. Locals walked away from the last hearing unheard. Few locals will be able to afford the hyped personal building programs POWDR and Woodward and Adventure Experience pushes.

This is a Master Plan to get a presence in this area. Not unlike a permit for a mine that forever expands. A foot in the door and a free pass. Maybe if you can lock in no further expansion or additional activities, and protect the water from human waste, improving the lodge and cabins would provide a nice Thanksgiving, or a burger after hiking to the fall.