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Comments: Dear Project Leader for Forest Service Project #61746,

Thank you for extending the public comment period for this project. Having a close connection to Holland Lake, I appreciate the opportunity to express my concerns.

I oppose the proposed expansion of Holland Lake Lodge. I object to the categorical exclusion intended for the project, and I request that, at a minimum, an environmental assessment be conducted before approval is granted. I would draw your attention to the points made in the Sept. 12 and Sept. 16 letters from Leo Heath and the Oct. 1 letter from Joni Packard, as they describe the concerns about overuse that many Montanans seem to share. They also point out the reasons that the categorical exclusion is inappropriate in this case.

Montanans have voiced their overwhelming opposition to the Holland Lake Lodge expansion. Please live up to the Forest Service motto: "Caring for the Land and Serving People" by acting to protect this cherished piece of Montana.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Buechler