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Comments: I am opposed to the expansion of Holland Lake Lodge as proposed by POWDR. One concern I have is an increase in traffic on the road as well as the lake and the trails. The road, the lake, and the trails already seem to be at max capacity. The traffic to the trail heads is non-stop on weekends. And the trails themselves are packed. Proposing to increase the amount of people to this area through lodge expansion will have a negative impact on the land and current ability to enjoy it. The lodge is at the "end of road" and already it bottlenecks with people and cars in this area. Parking lots are just a band aid to this situation.

I am also concerned about septic systems and increased water usage that a proposed lodge expansion would require. What will be the increase in water usage for an expansion of this size? Water is not an infinite resource. Water taken from the ground or lake for a larger lodge operation robs it from the very environment the new lodge would be relying on for it's viability.

I understand the conundrum the current owner is in. I appreciate that he is trying to make sure a new owner keeps the lodge etc inclusive. Unfortunately, the answers do not seem clear or simple. I ask that all involved do their due diligence in every step of this process and keep the integrity of this unique area as the number one priority.

Thank you for extending the comment period and giving the public time to comment. I appreciate the transparency of this process.