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Comments: Holland Lake Lodge has been available to our community for decades and has been a treasure for friends and family. It has offered a peaceful and serene experience for all of us - to enjoy the Flathead National Forest and this historic and cherished Lodge and buildings. The lake has not been overused and remains the home for endangered and native trout. Owl Packer campground has been a place to bring horses, camp and head into the National Forest - the trails have not been overused and wildlife has not been adversely affected. The little community of Condon remains available to people who permanently live in the area and for those passing through - it has been a part of the community for decades. Lots of wildlife cross the highway in this area - more traffic means more wildlife fatalities and people traveling at excessive speeds - endangering not only wildlife but everyone living in the area. Out of state corporations seeking to exploit small communities like Condon and beautiful, peaceful, local, historic Lodges like Holland Lake Lodge come into these kinds of areas looking to bring wealthy, out of state people to take over not only the community, the Lodges and buildings, but also all other small communities and neighborhoods all along the routes leading to the destination. Approving this massive enlargement of Holland Lake Lodge under the guise of caring about the experience and wanting to share it is nothing more than corporate and personal greed without caring about and for the surrounding National Forest and all who live near it and in it. The experience will ultimately only be available to those who can afford it - shoving out the local population who have been enjoying it for decades. Hopefully the Forest Service will reconsider what it is allowing.