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Comments: I join the thousands of other Montana citizens objecting to the Holland Lake Facility Expansion.

At MOST, the project should include only the existing building footprint/square footage. If the current Lodge ceased to exist, that would be fine with me. The additional lodge and cabins do nothing to enhance my experience of Holland Lake - in fact it detracts from it. Even though the current Lodge exists on Forest Service land - PUBLIC LAND - it feels very much like I should not tread there - it feels like a private land area - it is FENCED OFF.

POWDR certainly has only profits in mind. I have the preservation of a unique and pristine lake in my mind. I am concerned about pollution, about the wildlife in the area, about the people and property values in the adjoining areas. I am concerned about the noise and light pollution of the proposed expanded guest numbers. I am concerned about the place operating year round. This expansion would effect more than the 15 acres at issue - it would ultimately effect all of the surrounding area - the effect would be devastating in terms of overuse and overpricing.

Forest Service recreational lands need to be available for the public to enjoy - not for corporations or private business to profit from. I believe that the goal should be to serve the needs of the area and of the public - the goal should be to make Holland Lake an even better place - NOT A BIGGER LODGING SPACE.

Is nothing sacred anymore? Please do not approve this Plan. Please do not let POWDR move in and usurp the wishes of Montanans. Please do not destroy the Swan Valley and the jewel that is Holland Lake.