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Comments: We have gone to Holland Lake for 40+ years and are lucky enough to live in The Swan for the last 18. We have had family reunions at the lodge, dined there and had family members stay there many times. The best part of these facilities is that they are not obtrusive and blend seamlessly into the surrounding wilderness. It is hard to put into words how a relatively small lake like this exudes magnificence to anyone who sees it that I have either visited with on site or taken there myself, whether from the U.S. or some other country. The response is always the same. The character and simplicity of the facilities do not detract from this

I think this project would destroy what the lake has been. It's like bringing the big city and plopping it down where it doesn't belong.....removing too many trees, adding concrete parking lots, putting up this yuppy resort where it stands out like a sore thumb. It would be obnoxious.

I see where POWDR has bought ski resorts around the country. It is companies like this that have pretty much priced most people out of the sport. They are now pretty much playgrounds for people with money to enjoy, to the exclusion of others. Now it appears they are doing the same thing with other beautiful places. Lakes all over the US have been taken over by people with money. Rest assured, this would be another place that only people with means will enjoy. It would soon be "their lake" because of the sheer numbers of visitors. What now makes this place so special would be lost forever.

I am suspicious that the desire to put a garbage transfer station in at Barber Creek was related to this. If not, I'm sure that would come up again because of the amount of garbage this place would have. We do not want a transfer station smack dab in the middle of bear country!

I have a couple emotions about this proposal. Sometimes you can have a soulful relationship with a place and I have one with Holland Lake. It is so special. I believe most people who visit it, have that same connection. It is extraordinary. On the flip side, people with money seem to get and do whatever suits their fancy, regardless of the harm they do. This project is one of those things. It does not fit. It would forever change the ambiance of the lake and destroy what makes it so amazing to all. It should not be allowed to happen. We need to fight to keep some places in this country from being commercialized and kept as a special place for all to enjoy and appreciate.