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Comments: To whom it may concern,

Please reconsider your position on allowing the expansion of commercial development at Holland Lake Lodge. The Swan valley has always been a pristine place where families and Montanans can afford to live, recreate, and heal. If this expansion is allowed, I worry for the future of the Swan Valley. While this first step may seem minor, it sets a precedent that we are willing to allow Holland lake to be developed further for commercial purposes. This will just be the start, we have seen this time and again with Big Mountain, Big Sky and all the major resorts around the country. Development is passed through with the promise of good jobs and reflecting local culture, making it a better place to live. In reality, the local community will get access to minimum wage seasonal work, they will be priced out of their homes, and the wildlands that we have access to will become a commodity rather than a local treasure. Please reconsider your opinion in allowing expansion of the Holland Lake Lodge.

Thank you.