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Comments: Having been informed of the expansion that a ski company, POWDR, plans for the Holland Lake Lodge I would like to add my objection to this project. The company's plans are out of sync with the typical Montana recreationist. They are more typical of Aspen, Colorado, in the 70s when it became a destination resort town for the wealthy, and the locals could no longer afford to live and recreate there. There are numerous reasons for denying this project, as wildlife biologists, wilderness advocates, and the average sportsman and recreationist have already enumerated. Montana already has play areas for the uber rich, like Big Sky and the Yellowstone Club. These are private land holdings, and as such they can build to whatever standard they choose as long as it's environmentally sound (at least we hope they are non-polluting and environmentally sustainable). Holland Lake Lodge is a permittee on Forest Service land--public land--and should be accessible to all income levels. With such an expansion, the company surely hopes to significantly increase the cost of a stay at the Lodge to make their investment profitable. This cost increase will eliminate a large segment of Montana's population from being able to stay, which may be the ultimate goal of the project.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.