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Comments: I am opposed to the proposed development by POWDR of the Holland Lake Lodge complex. While updating and repairs of the existing facility are needed, the scale of the proposal by POWDR is far too large for the area.

Holland Lake Lodge is currently a small, rustic facility in an isolated location adjacent to the Bob Marshall Wilderness. It is a stepping off point to the wilderness and needs to remain small to minimize its' impact on the environment. I am concerned about the increased number of people and traffic and the consequent dangers posed to wildlife. Increased size and use can lead to destroying habitat and disturbing endangered wildlife such as Grizzly bears and threatened species including Canada lynx, wolverines, golden eagles, and bull trout. There is already a huge problem with vehicles and deer mortality on Hwy 83 and it will only get worse with increased traffic.

The proposed use of a Categorical Exclusion for such a large scale expansion of the current facility is wrong and does not adequately address the environmental concerns that a project of this scale poses. Please reconsider the size of the project and require a thorough environmental analysis before approving any development.