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Comments: My family has had the privilege of owning a cabin on Holland lake since the 1960's. We, along with many visitors over the years have appreciated and honored the quiet and pristine beauty of this area. For as long as I can remember the Forest Service has worked diligently to preserve the natural beauty and integrity of the lake and surrounding area.

Following are some of my many concerns and questions concerning the expansion of the Lodge:

How could the proposed expansion not drastically alter the lake, ecosystem, and wildlife for the next generations? How can this small lake absorb this expansion and the ensuing assault without the land, water, and wildlife being dramatically affected? This project would take Holland Lake from a hidden gem for lovers and appreciators of nature to a "boutique" playground. While the project may add jobs to the local economy it would also be a significant drain on the infrastructure and emergency services. The developers have stated they do not want to make the Lodge cost-prohibitive. I do not understand how the new Lodge could be profitable without catering to the wealthy. Holland Lake is off the beaten path making it difficult to access in the winter from the closest airports. Would a helipad be necessary? Should this project go forward and fail, what irreparable damage will have been done? Last but not least, why cannot this endeavor be built on private land?

Forest Service, we are trusting you to do your diligence to protect the peoples land.

Thank you for your consideration. Rosie Brabeck and family.