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Comments: I am requesting that a thorough Environmental Impact Study be conducted prior to any further decisions or actions being taken (by any of the involved parties) in the proposed development of the Holland Lake project.

Basic common sense demands recognition that development of the proposed scope will have negative impact on the quality of the lake water, on the feeding and migration patterns of the wildlife in the area, on the air quality of the area, and on the traffic on 83, which in turn will negatively impact the human lifestyle of valley residents.

I, too, have a history at the lake and an emotional attachment to the value of the lake to valley residents over time. Putting those personal elements aside, I worry that this public land will be forever lost as the site in which local residents can bring their children to quiet waters to learn to swim, kayak and paddleboard. Holland is really the only easily accessible water for those purposes.

I implore the US Forest Service to bear in mind that their first responsibility is to the public (the people) and not to the private enterprises desiring to profit from public lands use. In meeting that responsibility their focus should be on the common good. Given the volume and scope of public comment on this proposal, it is clear that this proposed business arrangement should be rejected and if that is not possible, considerably re-designed and reduced, with any changes given full, timely, public review and input.