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Comments: Thank you for receiving my comment. I oppose the development of Holland Lake Lodge by Utah-based ski resort company, POWDR, at this time.

I understand you've received many heart-felt personal stories from Montanans from a diverse set of backgrounds and experience levels. While I have been a Missoula County resident nearly my entire life, and certainly feel strongly about the preservation and stewardship of our natural resources and public lands, I will keep this brief.

I understand we have existing review, permitting, and conveyances in place to address the proposed arrangements. However, I am confident the issue at hand was completely unforeseen when they were implemented. New times and new ideas call for pause and strong consideration of the future. Let's take a moment and account for potential impacts that were not conceived 5, 10, 20, 100 years ago. Perhaps it is time to reassess how we as Montanans steward our few remaining sacred wildernesses.

I believe it is my duty as a Montanan to care not only for our people and their individual pursuits, but also the land and how those individuals tread upon it. Simply, respect and thoughtful consideration is necessary to avoid the irreparable debasement of our environment.

I urge you to practice respect and restraint, to have the patience to hear and collaborate with the populace of Montana, and to come to a conclusion on this issue which serves the will of the majority; not a singular development group or public official. I trust those concerned feel the immense weight of our current circumstance and will proceed with solemn regard for our future.

Respectfully,

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