

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 10/7/2022 2:05:05 AM

First name: Margaret

Last name: Gorski

Organization:

Title:

Comments: Considering 1) the controversy, 2) the size of the proposed expansion, 3) the potential visual impact to the lake, and 4) the potential consequences of more people visiting this area within the Grizzly Bear Recovery area and adjacent to the Wilderness.... you should be doing an EA.

Your challenge is to figure out a way to allow the current owner to update and upgrade this old facility in a way that maintains it's historic character, is in keeping with the setting which is basically undeveloped, and be affordable for the average Montanan? It doesn't have to be a 5 star resort to be viable.

It's proximity to the Wilderness should have an influence on the extent of change you should permit and how urbanized and commercialized in character is appropriate just as you would consider what development scale is appropriate for one of your developed campgrounds that you might build in this location.

Some of the public mistrust is based on the fear that this company will not stop with this development. How will you assure the public that this development isn't just the camel's nose under the tent. You should do a socio-economic analysis as part of your EA and determine the capacity that is appropriate for this location and then amend your Forest Plan accordingly so that you have the grounds to keep further development in check.