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Comments: You're charter is to protect the forest - not destroy it....

This proposed Holland Lake destruction is on your watch - do you want that as part of your legacy?

- 1 Categorical Exclusion and a scoping document is inadequate for a project of this magnitude. The scope and scale of the development is clearly an extraordinary situation. The CE process does not sufficiently identify, consider or address the broad cumulative impacts of this project on the environmentally sensitive Swan Valley or its rural community.
- 2.A project of this size and scale a needs a full Environmental Impact Statement.
- 3. The public comment period is too short and needs to be extended to a full 60 days.
- 4. This is an inappropriate size and scale for the Swan Valley
- 5 There is no discussion or description of increased recreational user days and associated impacts
- 6 The inevitable increased recreation use requires thorough analysis of local and cumulative impacts
- 7 Need thorough discussion of impacts on public health, safety and Emergency Services with increased traffic, accidents, EMS calls, and Wildlife collisions.
- 8 Need thorough discussion of impacts on Wildlife, including sensitive species, species of concern and Endangered species
- 9 No discussion of impacts on water quality, and potential for waste water contamination of the Lake...

Why allow an out of town developer who will ruin this pristine area, water, and habitat for so much nature to fulfill only their pocket books to do destroy this area?

The scoping document does not describe or address the resulting substantial increase in adventure oriented outdoor recreation visitor use days, impact of noise and the resort's visual dominance of the landscape. It does not describe or assess any of the impacts of those visitor use days to the lake, surrounding wildlands, forest trails, endangered species, and adjacent roadless and Wilderness Areas. Nor does the scoping document describe or address impacts on the local community, its culture, the change from a rural wild valley to a destination resort, and the increase in accidents, emergency and law enforcement calls associated with increased vehicle traffic on Highway 83 and Holland Lake Road and other roads. Finally there is no discussion of the inevitable over use of wild land and outdoor recreation resources and corresponding adverse impacts to wildlife in the Swan Valley. A thorough full Environmental Impact Statement of the development to address these issues is needed.

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