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Attn: Shelli Major

Dear Ms. Mavor,

I am writing to you concerning the proposed expansion of the Holland Lake Lodge and resort facilities (proposal 61746). Having just read the letter to you dated Oct 6, 2022 from the Missoula County Commissioners I would like to endorse all the points raised as to the suitability of the expansion of Holland Lake Lodge in a fragile environment that many Montanans feel a great connection to. I would like to see further study and an Environmental Impact Statement before any expansion is even remotely considered. Further study, I believe, would prove beyond a doubt that the area considered would be seriously degraded by expanding these facilities. Degradation of the water quality, endangered species, and even recreational opportunities make this proposal unfit for approval. An expansion would irreparably damage the land and water of Holland Lake and affect not only Holland Lake but surrounding lakes in the Seeley-Swan area by infusing a huge increase in the user days on a small fragile alpine area. Quality would suffer at the expense of large quantity increases. The specialness of Holland Lake would be lost forever. Please consider the issues many Montanans feel about Holland Lake.

Thank you for your consideration.

Perry Packer