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Comments: To whom this may concern;

As a native of Montana, I wholeheartedly oppose the expansion of Holland Lake Lodge.

Holland lake is an incredibly special stretch of wilderness. It's our family's "Happy Place". For the past decade, we have planned our entire summer schedule around camping and recreating at Holland Lake. The rural community setting with no cell phone coverage and the peaceful surrounding make it an iconic local Montana experience. From the shore of the campsite and day-use area Holland Lake has an amazing view of the Mountains, a crystal clear lake with eagles flying above and loons calling to each other. Aside from a few docks, the private lakeside homes are tucked out of sight. The only real man-made structure visible from the shores and lake is the Holland Lake lodge. But with its rustic historic features, it blends in. With the proposed expansion this quintessential landscape and experience would be negatively altered.

If this expansion takes place, it will rob Holland Lake of its essence and charm. The new lodge will be the focal point of the lake. Holland will become just another tourist destination and they will plunder and exploit this public land. It will increase property values, change the lifestyles of the locals by pushing them out, and ruin the natural beauty this area has. The increased traffic, waste, noise pollution, and infrastructure improvements required for such an endeavor would unsympathetically drive out natural wildlife and drive in tourists.

Please don't approve the Holland Lake Lodge expansion.