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Comments: Please provide an Environmental Impact Statement that includes ALTERNATIVES to the Proposed Action. Please include alternatives WITHOUT the base-to-base gondola and WITHOUT the water tank and booster station. The EIS should consider Taos Ski Valley's proposal in light of the resort's actual water rights of 21.45 acre feet per day, which is limited to 0.11 acre feet between April 11 and October 25. The EIS should analyze an ALTERNATIVE that places TSVI's potential water usage in context of the resort's allocated water rights. The EA fails to disclose impacts to public lands access. The EIS MUST consider how the gondola will affect public access to the Williams Lake TRAILHEAD and MUST include consideration of winter access. Given likely negative impacts to wilderness access, the Forest Service should DENY the base-to-bass gondola. And Forest Service should HOLD OFF on the five million gallon water tank, booster station, and new restaurant until Village of Taos Ski Valley's WATER INFRASTRUCTURE is STABILIZED. Thank you for allowing us to comment.