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Comments: For the past few years, I have watched the Forest Service stand by and do nothing as JHMR chips away at public access to our public lands. JHMR does not own these lands. We, the public do. JHMR merely operates under a permit which allows them to develop and monetize this mountain.

After decades of precedent allowing the public to skin up the village following the end of the winter season, JHMR has now shut that access off, threatening to arrest "trespassers" trying to ski this terrain after JHMR's permit to operate the lifts has finished for the year. Despite the precedent of allowing the public to hike up and ski spring snow at the village for decades, the Forest Service has allowed JHMR to cut off access. This decision is unpopular amongst locals.

And now JHMR has again cut off access to huge portions of the mountain, as well as the Hoback biking trail (the only biking trail on the mountain you can access without buying a ticket to the downhill bike park), in order to complete their current construction. How much public access will be cut off to complete the myriad of construction projects included in this proposal? Furthermore, how many of the new multi-use trails will be accessible to uphill hikers and bikers not purchasing a ticket to ride the tram or gondola, or purchasing a summer bike pass? At this point, you are only allowed on the downhill trails if you purchase a bike pass, which is ridiculous if you are able to ride up the Hoback Trail under your own power. However, that's been a moot point for a while since either a portion or the majority of the Hoback Trail seems to have been closed many times over the past few years due to ongoing and never-ending construction.

I wholly oppose permitting any new "multi-use trails" that will not be free and open to all users. I also oppose any updates that are not proposed strictly due to skier and worker safety. JHMR is already a world class resort. My family is privileged to have the means to support this resort through buying passes and putting our children in their ski school over the past few years, which has amounted to many thousands of dollars. But not everyone has the money to buy a tram ticket or bike park pass, and these users should still have access to the public lands within this permit boundary. Further, my children have successfully ridden the current Sublette Lift and the trails slated for improvement as part of this proposal since they were 3 years old. The current state of JHMR lifts and trails seems more than adequate - they are, by many accounts, already world class and the best in the country. Improvements that aren't being proposed strictly for user or worker safety will have public and environmental impacts that just aren't necessary.

Any new "improvement", whether it's a viewing platform or new event space, has negative impacts on wildlife and the public during construction and beyond. And the impacts from a new event space next to the Casper restaurant, the purpose of which seems to be only for JHMR to make more money by creating another high class wedding and event venue, seem unreasonable. The Bridger Gondola is already routinely closed to the public for private events at Rendezvous Lodge (Piste?). I imagine this will now happen with the Sweetwater Gondola as well, and will they also close hiking trails when there is a private event? Finally, the wildlife living at and near the village already deal with enough without creating another noisy outdoor venue half-way up the mountain.

Please consider the impacts these proposed projects will have on the public as a whole, and local users who just want to access the mountain without having to pay high fees.