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Comments: I am opposed to both projects.

Creating additional capacity and more skiers on the Seattle Ridge runs by installing a 6 person chair is unnecessary and will contribute to an already congested and dangerous ski experience. A 6 person chair will put too many skiers on the mountain at the same time. On a busy day not only are the individual runs over crowded but they are dangerous with a combination of high speed skiers, children and too many people. All of these runs dump into or funnel on to cold springs for access to the Seattle Ridge lift - it is already a risky/dangerous bottleneck in that area - adding more skiers on the mountain will simply make it worse. At times there may be a wait to reload onto the lift but is not intolerable and moves along just fine.

As far as the Christmas lift goes, there is never a line there and dumping more people on top of an already busy high traffic area on top of the mountain makes no sense. There is absolutely no need for additional capacity in the summer for bikes, hikers or sight seeing. The Christmas lift is terribly under utilized in the summer already.

Yes, the lift may be approaching its useful life but putting in a new lift with 6 person chairs & gondolas makes no sense. Why not simply replace the aging chair lift with one similar to the new lift out of the bottom of the Cold Springs area.