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Comments: I can't express how terrible of an idea allowing building of huts at the Anderson watson and heliotrope trailheads are.

\*Parking is already a huge issue for sledders on weekends - adding 5+ cars is too much. These guiding organizations should pay for additional plowing/parking to be built if the are going to displace public users. \*The plan makes no mention of paying for grooming - these guiding companies are taking advantage/abusing the

grooming paid for out of snowmobile registrations & amp; motorized snopark permit sales.

\*These areas already see heavy use - for profit guiding companies should be forced to develop areas that are not already popular with existing users - this is just lazy and exploitative.

\*The plan makes no mention of search and rescue - are these guiding companies assuming whatcom county SAR will take the additional load of significantly more accidents from increased user-days at these areas? Have they coordinated?

In summary - there is minimal public benefit and significant public cost here, only to the 300 or so folks who pay the guiding companies for access to the hut over the year. Due to limited parking, these are not incremental users, but will DISPLACE CURRENT USERS.