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Comments: As an avid backcountry skier, I love the idea of a hut system in our area. However, I am concerned by the current proposal's lack of information regarding public access and environmental impact. I am strongly against these huts if they are only for private use or have very limited public accessibility. Inbound skiing has become prohibitively expensive and exclusive. I would hate it if we allowed the backcountry to follow the same trend.

In addition, the lack of information about the environmental impact of these huts is concerning and requires further evaluation before moving forward. We've already done so much damage to our environment. We cannot continue approving projects without a comprehensive plan for minimizing impact.

If these concerns are addressed, I would love to welcome a new hut system into the Mt. Baker area.