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Please consider my comments in support of Alternative 1 (No action). If further development must occur, then I strongly choose Alternative 3 (No Special Use area expansion).

As a Victor resident, I greatly appreciate Targhee year-round. The ski experience is fantastic as is, but I understand the desire to add some improvements.

Alternative three makes these desirable improvements to the skier experience within the resort's existing footprint.

The in-boundary amenities that seem appropriate:

A restaurant at the top of Sacajawea would alleviate crowded restaurants at the base.

Crazy Horse Lift: Uphill capacity could be increased.

Please deny:

A ridgeline restaurant at the top of Dreamcatcher. It would disturb our dark skies and adjacent wilderness.

The proposed North Boundary Lift and on-mountain guest facilities in Rick's Basin. This would ruin a pristine multi-use area and require the thinning of a lovely aspen grove.

The two expansions proposed in South Bowl and Mono Trees. A ski lift and road in the South Bowl would be visible from the three most popular hiking trails in Teton Canyon and from peaks in Grand Teton National Park. In winter, hundreds of nordic skiers, dog walkers and snowshoers use Teton Canyon every week. They should not need to hear bombs from avalanche control. Numerous species of wildlife would be disturbed.

Thank you for considering my input. Targhee is a fantastic community resort with wider appeal already. That charm can be lost by a big buildout. The natural beauty is unsurpassed. Let's protect it and be very thoughtful about further development.