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Comments: I am writing in regards to the proposed expansion of the Targhee ski resort. I have been coming to ski Targhee and backpack the Jedidiah Wilderness since 1983. It is a very unique area, so much more quieter than the Jackson side of the Tetons. What I have always enjoyed and appreciated about Targhee is it's low profile and things have always been about the skiing, and not all the other hype surrounding most other ski areas. We have always tried to become like locals, staying in locally owned places, eating at the locally owned restaurants, and trying to blend in.

I feel the expansion of Targhee is not necessary, no need for eating establishment on the mountain, the base is never that far away. The roads and infrastructure are not designed or capable of having an increased size of the resort. The expansion compromises the integrity of many local towns, Alta, Driggs, and Victor. The people who live here for the more quiet and affordable place to live. The expansion will drive up prices for housing and cause over crowding. The expansion also compromises the water quality of the area and will definately impact the neighboring wilderness and wildlife, the reason many of the people have chosen to live here. There are plenty of large ski resorts, let us keep Targhee for what it is, and the reason that people like myself come back for year after year.

Please reject the proposed plans for this expansion, the extension of the area with the Colter lift is enough.

Thank you, respectfully, Jeff Nelson