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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I am speaking to you as a homeowner outside of in Teton Valley, Idaho since 1972, a skier at Grand Targhee Resort since it opened in 1969, and a long time season pass holder at GTR.

I am AGAINST the proposed Grand Targhee Resort expansion because since it resides in Wyoming but the only access to services (such as fire, roads, hospital, search and rescue) are the responsibility of the communities nearby in Idaho which will thus bear the burden of the expansion without any of the tax revenue benefit.

I am AGAINST the proposed GTR proposed South Bowl expansion because it will greatly impact visually the pristine view that currently exists of the Grand Teton Range from Teton Valley Idaho, and from the Teton Crest trail and other points within Grand Teton National Park.

I am AGAINST the proposed GTR expansion plans to place a building at the top of Dreamcatcher lift because it will be visible from Grand Teton NP and visibly spoil the view and impact the dark skies.

The construction of the six-pack Colter lift provided access to many acres of beautiful skiing, however I have NEVER ridden this lift when all six seats are filled, or when there is a line. Thus if increasing skier capacity is an issue I would SUPPORT the expansion of the Dreamcatcher lift to a sixpack lift as this does not require additional access to forest service land .

I SUPPORT construction of a building for food etc. at the top of Sacajawea Lift as it will not be visible from Grand Teton NP.

GTR is a gem of resort with fabulous skiing but the fact is that it is not easy to get to from a major airport, and thus even with expansion the sought after crowds that seem to be at the heart of these expansion plans may not come. Every non-local skier that I have ridden up chairlifts say they love Targhee but do not plan on skiing more than the 2 or 3 days their Mt Collective or other pass gives them because of the difficulty in getting here.

So just because the resort WANTS all this expansion, after what makes GTR such a wonderfully unique place is tarnished and spoiled the question is:

"If they build it, will they come?"