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Comments: The Flathead National Forest must protect Holland Lake and the surrounding wildlands from the negative impacts of excessive commercial recreation and development.

Your intention to use a Categorical Exclusion from the preparation of an Environmental Assessment means this would be the only comment period for the project, even though your staff has yet to conduct an analysis of the potential environmental effects of the project. Moreover, you would not allow the public to formally Object to any portion of the project. Instead, please prepare an EA or EIS to thoroughly evaluate publicly disclose the potential environmental impacts.

The use of a categorical exclusion is inappropriate due the potentially significant cumulative impacts to public water supplies, Holland Lake, bull trout, and other threatened species.

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