

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 5/19/2025 7:21:45 PM

First name: Daniel

Last name: Fiedler

Organization:

Title:

Comments: I recommend Alternative 1, the No Action Alternative. Grand Targhee is fine the way it is.

No boundary expansion.

There is no need for more skiable acreage; compare to JHMR which has less acreage but serves more than twice the skiers. The skier safety argument for South Bowl is disingenuous. I have skied back there for 25 years and in that time I have seen maybe 3 slides, all caused by the SnowCat or Ski Patrol control activity. No skier has ever required rescue in South Bowl. There is no need to impact the wildlife. The visual, environmental and wildlife impact for the Mono Trees would far outweigh the incremental skier benefit.

No lift expansion.

From the DEIS pg 60 " GTR's current CCC is calculated at 3,720 guests per day....peak days ... exceed by 25%" so on a big day there's maybe 5000 skiers. Combined uphill capacity of the existing 4 major lifts is ~ 10,000/hour, so utilization on a big day is ~ 50%. Targhee has a well-deserved reputation for no liftlines. There can be bottlenecks on certain days and conditions but these are brief and rare.

No on-mountain restaurants.

The base area has adequate room for restaurant expansion. If there's room for trophy homes you can find room for restaurant expansion. Everyone has to come in through the parking lot anyway. The only restaurant that ever gets packed is the Trap Bar. Water treatment facilities already exist there. You dismiss too blithely the downstream water quality concerns caused by the location of these 2 restaurants. "You can't prove it" and "if we find any problems, if we look, we can decide to drop that. Trust us!"