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Comments: I have been a Targhee skier since December 1970. Over the years, many of the changes have been improvements to my skiing experience (ex. Dreamcatcher, Sacajewa, Blackfoot lifts, improved grooming of slopes). However, many recent changes have made my skiing experience less enjoyable. There are now too many skiers to handle existing base facilities and parking accessibility. Prices have gone up dramatically, including daily lift ticket prices and food and beverage prices. Prices have increased, but quality of offerings has not improved.

I am opposed to any and all acreage expansion until base facilities and parking are expanded to properly handle current demand. One reason for the decline in my enjoyment is the number of skiers using multi-area passes. Targhee allows them to ski free while hoping, I guess, that money spent on lodging, food and bar purchases will offset the loss of revenue from their free skiing. The resulting increase in walk up to the window daily lift ticket rates has certainly resulted in a decrease in local skiers who do not ski at Targhee enough to justify buying a season pass. Targhee should be affordable and accessible to all southeastern Idaho skiers. It is not currently. Allowing further expansion would mean Targhee will be enough less of a local area. It will become a Sun Valley, and that would not be a positive change. Please protect what we have left for the local skier.