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Comments: Hello,

I write under concerns for proposals to expand the Grand Targhee Resort into extended areas that would include the Tetons and Jedediah Wilderness. These areas are wild untamed areas that supports significant ranges of wildlife and fauna and once damaged cannot be returned to their natural state. After reviewing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement dated 3/2025, I feel Alternative 3 as outlined beginning on page S-3 would still allow the resort to modernize without expanding into surrounding areas and doing irreparable damage. Options 4 and 5 are simply variants allowing damage to either one area or the other (South Bowl vs Mono Trees areas) and would still do significant damage, and Option 2 causing the most damage.

My understanding is the resort is held by a holding company that is privately owned. Allowing so much of our public lands to be permanently damaged and destroyed, as well as damage to surrounding area to them from pollution, trash, increased traffic, etc., for a private company held by a family also speaks volumes to the power that wealth can have over what is best for preserving our public lands. By de facto giving away hundreds of acres of land for private use to make money off of with very little benefit to the public at large, leaving a scar across the land and surrounding areas, leaves for a terrible precedent being made and a mar on our beautiful lands.

Respectfully,

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