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Comments: Targhee is a unique ski area, it has great skiing and old unfancy facilities. This keeps it a skier's mountain and is essential for the "Targhee Vibe" that Gillete says he wants to keep, and probably all the returning visitors like me. If you build fancy restaurants on top of the mountain with a gondola to get up there and fancy hotels, it will invite a different demographic of people and change "the vibe." If you have rich posers hanging out like 95% of all other ski areas it will be a dramatically different place. The building of the hotel in the current plan would take out a lot of parking spaces for regular mountain users and it seems parking becomes full already. Would there be anywhere to further expand parking if this takes place? Definitely not close by the base area.....

The base lodge, bar and coffee shop facilities are not big enough for the amount of people that frequent the mountain, this has been obvious for quite a number of years and should be the number one area to be addressed. On mountain dining would move some people out of the base, but I don't think it is really a solution, I think it's a ploy to attract rich non skiers. Build another restaurant and coffee shop in the base area and make the pub bigger. Simple.

If there is not enough space to do this then a restaurant at the top of Sacajewa would be used by skiers not posers and although it would be a logistical nightmare with no easy access for staff or supplies, it would change the vibe of the hill less.

I support terrain expansion, the mountain tracks out way quicker than it used to, it would definitely spread out the people. At the rate the valley population is growing it is inevitable that the hill needs expansion, as unappealing as it sounds to some, both South bowl and Mono trees would be optimum. A new lift past Blackfoot would be under-utilized I think, it's too hard to get over there for beginners and the terrain is pretty low angle, so who would use it? But it could potentially spread people out, but is it worth the effort & expense?

The Crazy horse lift would be a disaster for lovers of the mountain. It would open up the unseen terrain that stays as a low traffic/ untracked area. It will ruin powder days. Don't build it.