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Comments: As long time valley residents, our household does not support the expansion efforts at targhee ski resort. I have an extensive background in natural resources, specifically in botany and forest health. Whitebark pine needs public support as the species takes on numerous health challenges related to human development, non-native disease, and warming temps. It is a keystone species - we will see trickle down effects of its decline, especially relating to the grizzly bear population. As residents of the greater Yellowstone ecosystem, we must do our part to protect these sacred habitat types and ecosystems. Our decisions today have a profound impact on the health of our native flora and fauna of the future. Targhee provides incredible opportunities for recreation in its current state. Expansion will only drive prices up in the valley and most of us are already struggling to afford housing and life here following the cost of living increases associated with COVID. Please protect our home.