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Comments: NO EXPANSION OF THE GRAND TARGHEE RESORT!!!

The proposed boundary expansion would fragment critical wildlife habitat, threatening sensitive species such as grizzlies, wolverines, boreal and flammulated owls, northern goshawk, and peregrine falcons.. Increased human activity, year-round operations, and expanded infrastructure would displace wildlife, escalate human-wildlife conflicts, and undermine decades of successful conservation work in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. A key wildlife mineral lick and high-quality forest habitat would be lost or degraded.

The DEIS outlines extensive environmental damage, including increased water withdrawals for snowmaking, loss of old-growth forests, erosion risks, and impacts to threatened whitebark pine ecosystems. New construction would strain water resources already stressed by climate change and agricultural use. The visual impacts from expanded ski runs, lodges, and lifts would mar the iconic scenic beauty of the Tetons and reduce the wilderness experience on adjacent public lands.

The Grand Targhee expansion threatens to overwhelm Alta, Driggs, and the broader Teton Valley community. Traffic congestion on Ski Hill Road would intensify, creating serious safety concerns. Affordable housing pressures would worsen, displacing local workers and residents. Public access to beloved backcountry trails would be reduced, and the quiet, rural character of the valley would give way to commercialized, year-round tourism pressures that local infrastructure cannot support.