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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I am writing regarding the DEIS for the proposed Grand Targhee Resort expansion. As a resident of Teton County Idaho, a skier, and a holder of a season pass to the resort every winter that I've lived here, I would like my opinion known.

In the recently published article titled "Board of County Commissioners Draft Response to Targhee DEIS", I agree with the 10 points they delineate. The inequity of the resort being in Wyoming and Teton County Idaho having to bear the brunt of the infrastructure expenses associated with the expansion is not just. The expansion into Teton Canyon is unnecessary. and disrespectful of wildlife. Long term, with global warming, I predict this is a move to access water for snow making in the future and to expand parking. A restaurant at the top of the Mt is also unnecessary and disrespectful of the natural beauty of our landscape. Thought the resort does need more seating for food services I do support a restaurant at the top of the Sacajawea lift.

As a skier, I have found GTR a delight. The recent construction of the Colter lift has substantially reduced the density of skiers on the trails making for a wonderful skiing experience compared to other more popular resorts where one is constantly dodging other skiers and fearful of being run over. Grand Targhee Resort is a local mountain. The folks it services put up with the minor inconveniences of the already limited parking and the difficulty finding a place to rest and have a meal. Other than that, the skiing experience does not need to be changed. As I said, I support the 10 points in the published letter & hope the decision makers will respect those in the conclusion of their process.

Sincerely,

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