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Comments: I am a frequent visitor to the Teton valleys of Wyoming & Idaho and would like to provide my input on the DEIS regarding Grand Targhee Resort development.

As background, I am not a skier but have been coming to this area for decades and enjoy the spectacular scenery, abundant wildlife and recreational activities it offers. This area has been a welcome respite from the traffic, congestion and "big city" problems of my hometown, the Atlanta, GA metro area. With the explosive growth and commercialization of Jackson, WY, we have discovered and now enjoy the quaint and relaxing towns of Victor and Driggs, Idaho during our trips.

I have concerns that if Grand Targhee is developed as proposed in several of the DEIS alternatives, the impacts will be significant and irreversible to the local wildlife, environment and quality of life across the Teton Valley Idaho. I shudder to think of the hotels, fast food restaurants and associated sprawl that would ensue (as has been experienced by other mountain towns with similar development).

For that reason, I support Alternative 1. Keep the Resort essentially "as is" with exceptions for minimal/low level development that doesn't cause significant impacts.

Viewed from my perspective, it appears the requested development is based more on "want" than a quantifiable "need".

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my input. I hope you will do the right thing.