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Comments: Dear US Forest Service,

I live in Utah, and have been a property owner adjacent to FS land for over 50 years in the Wasatch National Forest. I have observed the dramatic changes that have occurred in the Wasatch as a result of expansion of the ski resorts in Utah's National Forests. These changes have included abuse of water resources, interruption of wildlife migration and degradation of forest floor and riparian areas with loss of habitat for all species.

I visit Teton Valley often and enjoy hiking in and around Targhee resort, especially Teton Canyon. I have reviewed the planned expansion of Targhee resort and can only conclude that the expansion will disrupt the terrain used now by Elk, Bear and other species that occupy and rely on the zone between forest and alpine meadow.

I would encourage the Forest Service to not permit expansion of the Targhee resort footprint. To do so would put a heel to the neck of our valuable and vulnerable wildlands.