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Comments: I am strongly opposed to any expansion of the boundaries of Grand Targhee and any but limited infrastructure expansion within the currentboundaries. Tangible benefits of an expansion accrue primarily to the owners of Grand Targhee, but at a tremendous cost to the Teton Valley community. Yes, local skiers could have an increase in lift-served terrain, but that would be offset by significant impacts in Teton Valley, especially related to workforce and housing.

Importantly, public financial benefits world accrue almost wholly Teton County, Wyoming. Even the Teton County, Wyoming, Commissioners have expressed opposition to this project, despite their potential to see increased tax receipts with almost zero offsetting impacts.

Natural resource and scenic impacts have been better stated by others, so I will limit my argument to the unfairness of the already strained communities in Teton County Idaho bearing substantial costs and impacts, so that a private business owner can stand to benefit. It is not the public's obligation to be responsible for the success or growth of a private business, especially when it comes at such a high cost.

I urge you to deny any expansion of Grand Targhee Resort beyond its current boundaries and limit additional development within those boundaries to a minimal level. Thank you.