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Comments: I'm generally in support of this proposal, however, I'm concerned that many of the comments submitted prior to this draft weren't addressed. I won't list them all here but I can speak specifically to several areas of concern I commented on regarding the original proposal.

The existing structures contribute significantly to light pollution from lighting at maintenance and base area facilities. I can only assume the new structures would have lighting both inside and outside during operating and after hours that have additional significant impact to the night sky. I would like to see where that has been analyzed and what the WMNF's opinion is.

The DEIS doesn't talk much about the existing recreational opportunities that exist outside of the resort amenities. There's plenty to do in the valley that, if effectively marketed, would drive additional visitors.

There were concerns about investment in existing resort infrastructure should this proposal be approved. One could assume this proposal supports the improvements or maintenance required to help drive additional visits. However, it would be great to somehow address that.

The economic evaluation of this proposal has to continue to consider staffing challenges encountered by the industry.

I appreciate the analysis to date and look forward to seeing how this progresses.