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Comments: September 3, 2026 To: Kevin Wright, Dixie National Forest Dear Director Wright, I am writing to strongly oppose the proposed expansion of the Brian Head Ski Resort. The new lifts and runs seem to run counter to reality, given the current and future conditions of the climate and water resources of the area. The amount of water needed from wells and springs to create snow for this expansion is unknown and is bound to decrease in the future, given the area's 22-year drought trend. The dry lakes area's proposed new lifts would disturb deer and elk birthing grounds, and negatively affect pika and goshawk populations. Increased numbers of skiers and service people would crowd the area, and when the expansion fails, given the reality of climate change, it will create a structural mess for the Forest Service to clean up. Thank you for your consideration of my concerns.