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Hello Mr. Pence,

My name is Silas and I am a resident of the community at the base of grand targhee resort. While I understand the desire to expand the resort in order to draw in more people and potentially grow the economy of the area I think it is a dangerous and ill advised idea. If we look at jackson hole the effects of the larger and more accessible ski resort has dramatically changed the culture from a community of people living in a beautiful and somewhat remote part of the country to a bustling tourist destination attracting rich people who are dramatically changing the landscape and culture of the area, pushing out originally local residence due to the ever increased cost of living, which has already been bleeding over onto this side of the tetons. Further there is already a large resort type ski area near by, jackson hole, thus there is not a need to develop another large ski resort here, if people want to ski and see this area let them come to jackson and travel from there don't make everywhere in this beautiful area a commercialized tourist trap, as i said earlier it will have dramatic negative effects, but i think more importantly will remove some of the beauty of this area as it will grow far faster than it ought to. Please for the sake of the people living in this valley, and the well being of our community, do not allow the Targhee expansion plan.