

## APPENDIX A – COMMENTS RECEIVED AND ISSUES RAISED DURING THE SCOPING PROCESS

Resource/Issue (number of comments received)	Description of Comment
<b>Air Quality</b> (1)	Construction and operation of the project may affect air quality on-site and in the surrounding area.
<b>Cumulative Effects</b> (4)	What effects would this project have in combination with other proposals, including growth and development in the Bridger Canyon area?
<b>Socio-Economics</b> (1)	Concern was raised regarding the future cost of a ski pass.
<b>Purpose and Need</b> (2)	Concern was expressed over the necessity of this project.
<b>Compliance with other Regulations</b> (1)	This project must be reviewed by Gallatin County.
<b>Recreation and User Conflicts</b> (36)	
<i>Loss of Backcountry Skiing Opportunities</i>	Backcountry skiing opportunities may be lost if the ski area boundaries are expanded
	Lift-served skiing in the Pine-Slushman area would reduce available backcountry skiing
<i>Lift-served Ridge Access</i>	Access to the ridge via lifts may reduce skiing quality and the quality of the experience. Skier safety may be affected.
<i>Coordination with Cross-Country Skiing</i>	Would the project affect existing and proposed cross-country skiing in the area?
<i>Snowmobile Usage</i>	What are the effects on snowmobile use of adjacent areas?
<b>Roadless Areas</b> (1)	Portions of the proposed project area are within areas considered for roadless designation
<b>Summer Use</b> (1)	Are summer uses proposed? If so, what would be the effects of this proposal?
	What would be the effects to Trail 538 and horse access?
<b>Traffic and Parking</b> (8)	What would be the effects on traffic and will there be sufficient parking?
	Are there opportunities for alternatives to the private automobile for access to the ski area?
<b>Watershed Resources</b> (6)	What would be the effects on the watershed?
	Would water quality be affected by the proposal?
	What are the possible effects of sedimentation and erosion?
<b>Wetlands</b> (1)	What would be the effects to wetlands?
<b>Wildlife</b> (4)	What would be the effects to wildlife with respect to habitat fragmentation and forested linkage corridors?
	What would be the effects to Threatened, Endangered, and Sensitive wildlife species?
	Would pine marten and wolverine be affected?
<b>Vegetation</b> (1)	What would be the effects to Threatened, Endangered, and Sensitive plant species?
	What would be the effect on areas of old growth?
<b>Visual Quality</b> (1)	What will the project look like upon completion?