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I am opposed to any expansion of overnight facilities at the summit or any approaches, including over, beside or in proximity to the Cog Railway corridor.

I am a 75-year old NH resident who has actively enjoyed the White Mountains since childhood. I am a long-time member of the AMC and the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. My earliest memories of visiting the White Mountains in the 1950s and 1960s were of superb natural features with a reasonable level of public access. In many ways, the State of NH has maintained a good balance between our wonderful natural resources and the need for public access to this day. I also understand the needs of the North Country and the State for tourist revenue into the future. I further understand and support the improvements proposed to summit facilities to accommodate current levels of visiting tourists. **However, the proposal to add overnight accommodations associated with the Cog Railway goes beyond reason, and poses a threat to the aesthetic and natural resources that draw tourists to the North Country in the first place! Such proposals for hotels or coach sleepers is a blatant money grab intended for personal and corporate gain, and must not be allowed in association with, or proximity to, NH Parks or lands! There is plenty of space elsewhere in the North Country for hotel beds in locations which do not threaten the beauty and preservation of our public lands!**

Thanks for the opportunity to comment .

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