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I am writing as a resident of Gorham, NH to express my opposition to the adoption of the July 5, 2022 Draft Master Plan that is currently proposed. In order to maintain even the semblance of legitimacy, the MWC must commit to a thorough and independent environmental and climate assessment of the summit, and surrounding alpine areas. Until such a study is commissioned and the results publicly presented, there should be NO expansion, development or construction of any kind on the summit or in its environs. No "Master Plan" should be drafted or considered until this study has been undertaken, and any vacant seats on the commission have been filled. Additionally I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed "Lizzie Bourne Station". This project has no place whatsoever on the edge of a wilderness area in full exposure to some of the worst weather on earth. It is entirely unnecessary and in my view will only contribute to further degradation of visitors' experience of the Presidential Range. It is my opinion that access to the summit should be strictly regulated in order to prioritize the well-being of the Alpine ecosystem. Building a waste pipeline and disrupting the local ecosystem during a 5 year construction project can hardly be considered stewardship. Any such development by the Cog Railway would be far cheaper and much more appropriate to undertake at the Cog Base Station. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,
Kevin Moynihan

