

Caribou-Targhee National Forest

## **Forest Service News Release**

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## **Caribou-Targhee National Forest releases Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Grand Targhee Resort Expansion Proposal**

**IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, March 20, 2025** — Tomorrow, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service will publish the Grand Targhee Resort Master Development Proposal draft environmental impact statement in the *Federal Register* which will start a 90-day public comment period.

"The draft environmental impact statement outlines potential effects of the proposal. Ultimately, the Forest Supervisor will select the alternative that best meets the public's interests and environmental considerations," said Teton Basin District Ranger Jay Pence. "We encourage the public to share their input on this important process."

Full details for each of the following alternatives can be found on the Forest website at <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/ctnf/home</u>. For a more interactive experience you can also access the Story Map at <u>https://grandtargheeresorteis.org</u>

The Caribou-Targhee National Forest welcomes substantive comments to help refine the final environmental impact statement. Substantive comments provide specific information about the proposal, suggest corrections, or identify new information.

The Forest Service will host an in-person open house on April 10, 2025, from 5-8 p.m. at the Driggs Community Center, 60 S Main Street, Suite 200, Driggs, ID 83422. The purpose for the open house is to provide information on the project and to gather public information.

In addition to the meeting, the public can submit comments electronically via <u>https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=58258</u> or by mail: Mel Bolling, Forest Supervisor, c/o Jay Pence, Teton Basin District Ranger, Caribou-Targhee National Forest, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, ID 83401; or by e-mail to: <u>jay.pence@usda.gov</u> (please include "Grand Targhee Master Development Plan Projects" in the subject line).

For further information, contact Jay Pence via email at jay.pence@usda.gov.

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