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Commissioners:

The land on and surrounding Mount Washington, regardless of whether it is privately or publicly owned, must remain as is without any additional development. Presently, the area comprising Mount Washington and the Presidential Range is a unique ecological gem that must be protected. Any type or amount of development will result in a disruption to the existing precious natural environment. There are no safeguards that can prevent this from occurring.

A strategy must also be formulated to limit the number of visitors at any specific time on the summit. Additional way stations or the expansion of parking lots will only exacerbate the overcrowded conditions that now exist.

Consider, as well, that the view of Mount Washington is a sight to behold. Any additional development will mar the visual aesthetics of Mount Washington.

Specifically, I am personally opposed to the current plans by the owner of the cog railway to build hospitality facilities below the summit. This project will ruin the visual aesthetics and it will be impossible to prevent damage to the ecology of that area. Please do not approve his request.

Best wishes,  
Joseph V. Egan

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