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Remarks:

I've lived in Big Sky Montana and have been in this area for 22 years. I went to Montana State and graduated with a double Major in Psychology and Philosophy. I left Montana for two years 1991 and 1992 looking out of the area for opportunity. I came back to the area to start a construction company with my brother as a means to have a good living in a generally low paying state for most professional careers. We started in Bozeman in 94' and came up here to Big Sky in 98'. I've been operating Radick Construction up here since and while we are in a bit of a slow down now, continue to enjoy a decent paying professional career while living in a place that inspires me and my family and provides a great and safe place to raise this family. Big Sky has brought to our area thousands of jobs and it's purported that as many as 5000 people commute here each day from the valley. It's my belief that I would no longer be in Montana without the opportunities in Big Sky and believe your area would also see the strong economic impacts. I will include an attachment to this with some economic data that was provided to me. While it will be very important to make sure the development is monitored to keep this state as clean, beautiful and wild as it was when I got here, it's very important to allow individuals opportunity in Montana. The scope of this economic opportunity crosses the board with every occupation benefiting.

Let's keep Montana and its people here and foster our area so that we can make competitive wages and keep the American dream alive and well in this gifted state.