

Table 4. Summary comparison of impacts.		
Issue	No-Action Alternative	Proposed Action
Significant Issues to be Included in the Analysis		
Watershed Resources/Geologic Hazard		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased potential for erosion and sedimentation associated with ground disturbance from construction of new lifts, trails/glades, and facilities and with additional snowmaking. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment. Current impacts on existing channels, roads, and ski trails would require continued monitoring and maintenance.	Erosion rates from construction areas would temporarily increase during the construction period. Erosion to these areas would return to pre-disturbance levels following proper application and maintenance of BMPs. Impacts to stream channels from increased snowmaking and eventual runoff and streamflow would be within the range of variability observed from current impacts on existing channels.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The potential for geologic hazards, primarily unstable slopes, to be exacerbated by alterations of topography or the water regime. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment. The potential for geologic hazards would continue to depend on the successful implementation of BMPs.	Grading associated with the Silver Queen skiway could increase likelihood of landslides and slumps in the immediate area. Potential for slope failure could exist following implementation of new snowmaking by creating concentrated runoff patterns.
Aquatic Resources		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impacts of any increase in sedimentation associated with ground disturbance from construction of new lifts, trails/glades, and facilities on aquatic biota. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment.	Vegetation and soil disturbance would occur, but proper application of BMPs would limit impacts to the short-term.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impacts on the endangered fish of the Colorado River due to snowmaking water depletions. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment.	New water depletion of 5 acre-feet may indirectly affect endangered fish species. The recovery plan currently in place would mitigate effects.
Wetlands		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct and indirect impacts on wetlands from construction of new lifts, trails/glades, and facilities. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment.	Proposed construction would affect approximately 0.5 acres of wetlands, primarily through cutting of trees.
Wildlife		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impacts of the proposal on wildlife and wildlife habitat, including wetland and riparian habitats. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment. Wildlife and wildlife habitat would not be impacted beyond those associated with existing facilities and approvals.	Displacement and mortality of individuals would occur due to increased human activity. Loss of forest and forest-interior habitat, as well as mature and old-growth spruce-fir stands, would occur.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impacts on threatened, endangered, Forest Service sensitive species, and management indicator species. 	No additional effects beyond those documented in previous NEPA and the affected environment. There would be no impact on threatened, endangered, or Forest Service sensitive species.	Threatened Canada lynx are not likely to be adversely affected by the Proposed Action. Individual American marten, pygmy shrews, American three-toed woodpeckers, and olive sided flycatchers, which are sensitive species, may be adversely impacted, while no impact would occur to northern goshawk.