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To Rob Hoelscher;

We are writing you as actively involved homeowners in Custer County. My wife is a lifelong resident and I have lived here for the past 26 years. We have some serious concerns about the project led by F3 Gold, LLC of Minneapolis, MN. The environmental impact of this drilling project will be significant. Drilling holes hundreds to thousands of feet deep would absolutely have a long-lasting negative effect.

There is no way a project like this would be and/or can be good for the people, wildlife, water, cultural resources, the environment, and this sacred area that is home. The intrusion of this operation will undoubtedly cause water, noise, and air pollution. We fear the negative, long term consequences for wildlife, nearby residents, and cultural resources.

We are at loss as to why we would even consider this type of a project to be conducted on this sacred land.

It is our request that you and the others involved take the concerns of the people of Custer County seriously, and that you request an environmental study to be conducted in full, prior to the implementation of this project. We are sure with a study; you will find our concerns to be valid and the project will be reconsidered.

This is a slippery slope and once we start on this type of project, there is no going back.

Sincerely,

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