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Comments: The government does not own Federal land. Federal land belongs to the public. The Forest Service is authorized to manage public land for the benefit of the people. Although the Black Hills is a small Forest, its multi uses provides for the entire state of SD. Many from out of state come also to enjoy year round use. It benefits the people as a whole. Use for gold mining only benefits big corporations and wealthy buyers. ( China?) The government has already deceitfully broken the treaty with the Sioux because of gold. Are we going there again? Well managed land provides clean food and water, shelter, and recreation, exercise for good mental health. Gold promotes greed and misuse for the gain of a limited few. Diana Turgeon