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Comments: My husband and I, dog and other animals live in the Log Home we built in 1990, with a personal well on 10.5 acres 2.5 miles from Pactola Reservoir. We are both small business owners. Randy has been a Carpenter his entire life in the Black Hills. Paulette is a Family Nurse Practitioner in the region. When we are not working, we are in the outdoors with friends, family, clubs, often in or on the water, on the trails in the region. Our human and animal family drink the water from the Black Hills, Pactola Reservoir daily. The animals and plants in our gardens are supplied by the Rapid Creek and Pactola Reservoir water and surrounding forest. We love the Black Hills. Have built a family and developed a lifestyle to live our entire lives in the Black Hills. We support the Forest Service's Mineral Withdrawl around the Pactola Reservoir and along Upper Rapid Creek.