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Comments: How will water table be affected by test hole drilling?What additional impact will mining cause on water table?Since the level of French Creek drops precipitously when the Custer Municipal auxiliary wells are put online, what will additional impact on water table be from necessary water usage in the event of mining operation? Where will their significant water supply come from? If water supply comes from Custer municipal wells, how will French Creek levels be impacted? If the live water on my property is impacted (French Creek runs the length of my property) how will I be compensated for the loss of that property increasing attribute? Who will determine the value of said loss in value? If we lose our well water supply or it is compromised, how will company be held accountable? What will be the minimal impact on personal well supply volumes allowable before the mining company must address well water supply issues?Will the company be held liable for any increase in contaminants in our drinking water supply in neighboring wells? What will the minimal increase in water contamination values be and who will monitor those levels? What will be the impact on local wildlife if commercial mining operations commence? Who will be responsible for the maintenance of Upper French Creek Road? If the road deteriorates, will the mining company bring it back to the current level of drivability? Who will determine the condition of Upper French Creek Road? How will that be enforced and who will enforce it? How will noise pollution issues be adjudicated if neighboring property owners are impacted?If property values are decreased because of mining operation will neighboring property owners be compensated and how will that be determined?To what standards will reclamation of disturbed forest land be required and who will be responsible for determining if those standards are adhered to? What will be the process if local residents disagree that proper reclamation has been accomplished? Will access to neighboring Forest land be impacted by mining operations or test drilling operations and will safety be compromised by vehicular traffic on access trails and roads?Since the Forest Service has deemed the access trails to be non-motorized trails from December 15 to May 15 because of maintenance and wildlife impact, will these trails now be opened year round? What will the impact be on gestating wildlife? Who will be responsible for winter maintenance? What percentage of permits to drill test holes result in mining operations? How many times have mining permits been refused after test drilling permits have been granted?How do they know there are no protected species in test area without EA?In logging are permits granted based on evaluations of tracts a distance away in the same manner that the EA from Silver City is being used for this project? How many mining claims does F3 hold in the BHNF? How many acres of potential mining operations does that represent?Since F3 has represented itself as a gold exploration company will only gold be explored for? If other minerals (specifically Lithium) be targeted as well? If mining is proposed for some mineral other than gold will a new plan/proposal be required?