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Comments: Dear Ms. Schuyler:

As a longtime resident of the Black Hills, I implore you not to allow a categorical exclusion for F3 Gold's Newark Exploratory Drilling Project.

This is a fairly pristine part of the national forest, and even exploratory drilling could have negative environmental impacts on French Creek. The drilling will likely not be completed within one year's time. The cultural resources in that portion of the hills are unknown at this time.

Please make sure that a more detailed environmental assessment of this drilling project is completed. Thank you for your consideration.

Jeremiah J. Davis

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