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Comments:

I oppose this proposed rule on Locatable Minerals by the Forest Service.

I oppose granting for-profit rights to companies to exploit our national forests and national lands. Indeed I question whether the Forest Service has authority for anything subsurface.

In addition, this proposed rule is extremely vague and primarily addresses and protects for-profit companies rather than the nation, our environment and our citizenry. Proposed rules such as this should be based and supported by scientific study and analysis purporting advantages and disadvantages of such a rule and include exact objective methodology and criteria for evaluating adherence to the rule.