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As home owners who literally back-up to the Newark Project proposal (the end of Rd) we are very concerned about the "Categorical Exclusion" label. We request that the Forest Service do a complete environmental study of the proposed project. Please act immediately.

This company obviously wants a much larger project in the future. The effects of just drilling 39 drill pads with up to 10 holes per pad isn't a small project. It could take months and possibly years to complete with impacts that have not been described. The environmental impacts on our water supply, our roads and our land and forests will be devastating, especially if a larger project is approved.

We built our retirement home 20 years ago, and and expect to pass it on to our children who live in Custer. Please act to prevent this from turning into a Lead, S.D. environment!

Thank you, Dr. Mark and Sonja Hogg