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Comments: Ms. Jackson,

I've taken the time to read through many of the comments about this project and all have valid points. But after seeing how many seem to threaten you as a person and also your position as a forest supervisor I cannot imagine how that must feel in your heart. To have that type of pressure weigh on your mind day in and day out, with voices of senators, mine operators, heavy equipment companies all telling you about the money. It's not all about the money.

I encourage you to look into your heart and think to a time 50 years from now and what people will think when the mine is gone. The questions they will ask about why the mine even happened and what it did to the rivers and surrounding ecosystem.

In many ways I think the mine should be left as it is. A reminder of days gone past and an error that should not be made again. Not in a place like the headwaters of such amazing rivers that are so unique to this western landscape.

I encourage you to not allow this mine to move forward.

Please look in your heart and do not let this precious place slip away once again.

God bless.

Brenden F. Cronin