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Comments: I am against granting Coeur Alaska a permit to extend the life of the Kensington gold mine a permit to expand their waste rock and water storage facilities in order to allow the mine top operate another 10 years beyond their 2023 permit.

I believe that the Forest Service has not taken into account the effects of climate change, with rising amounts of water. It is highly unlikely that the dam's integrity, as the amount of water forced into larger and larger bodies of water, can be maintained into perpetuity. The risk dam failure is too great and the consequences are too high for our city and for the environment of my wildlife community. We have been deluged with rains and resulting huge landslides in recent weeks. There will likely much more of this to come over the upcoming years.

Please consider this in your final decision. Please do NOT allow the extension of the life of this mine past 2023!
Thank you for your consideration.