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Comments: I am writing to voice my opposition to the mitigation plan to remove white spruce trees. As a Spearfish resident I frequently visit Spearfish Canyon and the northern Black Hills. After the devastation of two recent tornadoes we do not need more tree destruction!

Spruce trees provide shade along the streams protecting many wild flowers and animals. They contribute to the beauty of our area. Many of the peach leaf willows are dying along Spearfish Creek. Removing more trees is a terrible idea!

Thanks for listening to my concerns.