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Comments: I'm objecting to the Draft Decision for the Jenny Gulch Exploration Drilling Project.

As I've stated before I believe the USDA Forest Service should be guardians of our public lands and insist that an environmental impact study, and not simply an environmental assessment, be done prior to any drilling. This is imperative for many reasons but being located in a vital watershed for not only areas near the drilling, but for the entire population of the Rapid City region, Ellsworth Air Force Base, and our west river ranchers makes it even more of a prerequisite.

I believe the USFS has been negligent in risking not only the lifestyles and living of our residents, but our National Security. Ellsworth was granted the B-1 and now the B-21 because of what this region has to offer to the continued stability and security of our Nation. Allowing for this exploration can permanently comprise all of West River.

Watersheds can be exempted from any current mining laws and must be fought to preserve. You are conducting this operation as if you are warrant officers and not preservationists. That is the task of the USFS for our public lands - to preserve and protect. Please show some vision, courage, and fortitude and start doing your job.

Regards,

cc: Senator John Thune, Senator Mike Rounds, Congressman Dusty Johnson