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Comments: I am a resident of Rapid City, grew up here, and have been back for 15 years. I wholeheartedly oppose exploratory drilling for gold in the Jenny Gulch area and any of Rapid City's watershed areas. The risks are too great if anything were to go wrong. The risks are too great if they were to find gold and somehow find a way to start a mining operation in our beautiful Black Hills. If this is approved, it will be the beginning of a neverending fight to save our water and the area. What we still have here in the Black Hills is very special, and that is what draws people here, for tourism, to raise their families, for recreation, and to live the good life. There are places in this world that have destroyed all of their natural area and abused their natural resources, and they are barren wastelands. Please do not contribute to that potential future, and save the pristine nature that we still have left. Please do not open this Pandora's box. It will be almost impossible to close.