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Comments: My family move to South Dakota in the late 1800's. My father was born in the Black Hills and I was as well. We are life-long residents who have owned property in the Raid Creek Watershed for more than sixty years. I strenuously oppose ANY mining within the Rapid Creek Watershed. This is one of the most critical regions of the Black Hills and mining is simply not a risk we should consider. Mining in the watershed is asinine. The US Forest Service knows that mines fail. They fail often, and they fail catastrophically. A mine failure in the watershed would impact the fishery, the wildlife, and the nearly 100,000 people who rely on clean, safe, drinking water.