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Thank you very much for holding the meeting on February 16 to help educate the Custer community about the Newark project.

The Black Hills are noted for their diverse geologic features and widely varying rocks and minerals. Because of these variations it seems appropriate that a complete survey be conducted of the area underground where the proposed Newark study is to be situated. The information from the Jenny Gulch Project describes areas further north, which may be very different from that of this proposed project. Without a careful study of the strata west of Custer, this project might well be ill advised.