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Comments: I am opposed to the Newark Exploratory Drilling Project #63527.

It was disappointing that at the public meeting questions were not answered. Is this because there are no good answers?

However, there are many good reasons to object.

The outcome of even just the exploration will have a negative impact on plant life, wildlife, roads, and residents.

There could be negative impacts on fire danger and fire fighting. There are concerns regarding noise and water pollution.

The Black Hills are fragile and are being pushed too far with an influx in population and climate concerns.

We need to preserve and cherish this sacred place with the utmost care. The future of the Black Hills depends on good decisions.

Please consider what is most important for good service to the forest.