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Comments: As a South Dakota resident I do not support any new mining efforts in the black hills or South Dakota as a whole. The environmental impacts are too great and it violates treaties that are constitutionally held by the federal government with the rightful stewards of this land: the Plains Tribes. The Tribes of the Black Hills specifically, and among other tribal organizations have vehemently opposed these mining efforts-and that should be evidence enough. Denial of indigenous voices and wishes is disgusting and usually standard for the federal government however there can be a change of heart. Don't let corporations cloud your duties as the USDA to protect lands that are vital to our survival of our nation.