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Comments: Dear USFS and BLM,

Please go forward with the withdrawal of mining at Pactola. Rapid City is my hometown and I grew up recreating at Pactola. This will help protect Rapid City's water supply, an extremely valuable resource. The withdrawal will also protect the beauty of Pactola. Pactola draws visitors every year, which helps support the Black Hills tourism industry and contributes to the quality of life of locals. Despite reclamation efforts, our forest is never the same after mining. Please protect water quality and our land for future generations.

Thank you,

Claire Deuter