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Comments: i believe that the water situation in the blackhills will only get worse way before it gets better. we've already noticed the increased temperatures, lessening snowfall, and growing population here. i would agree to restricting mining anywhere near a watershed area. I would also be in favor of just restricting mining completely anywhere in the blackhills. (additionally, an example of how eco-friendly the mining industry is can be found atop strawberry hill near Lead... one of the still ongoing superfund cleanup projects)