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Comments: I strongly object to mining in this area. The Black Hills are such a tiny beautiful island in the plains, as the title of a book indicates. We have become a destination for hikers, bicycle riders, equestrians, cross country skiers, campers. Trails have been carefully developed and maintained for the enjoyment of visitors. Any disruption of this limited amount of Mountain forest and beauty will be detrimental in the long run. We need to fight to preserve this beautiful little area. Tourism of various kinds brings a lot of income to the Northern Hills. Not to mention the disruption to the wildlife. As I said, it is a limited area. we don't have hundreds of miles of mountains and forest for these creatures to move on to. The scars of mining are clearly visible from Terry Peak. Let's not add any more.