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Comments: So, what is the point? Who even came up with the idiotic idea to drill for gold again? Greed's reward is death. I mean seriously you can't look around the world and see the harm people have brought to life-sustaining resources? Gold does not sustain life, but water does! How many trees will be gone if this project is done? and when all those trucks are up there, the pollution will get bad. Plus the entire environment will suffer, and the Black Hills won't be the same place, what a sad thing to even think about. Can't there be anything held as sacred? Like the line in Jurassic Park " you are so preoccupied with the thought that you could, you don't stop to think if you should." Didn't take long for Devil's bathtub to go to crap when more people started going there, and then it was someone's stupid idea to make room for more people to park at the trail head to the bathtub. Big yellow taxi, a song by Joni Mitchell, talks about paving over beautiful nature and then having to preserve trees in a man-made structure to see them because the natural habitat for trees is gone, that is what companies keep doing in the Black Hills. Maybe for the people that want to do the gold project, try this first: get a pile of gold from the reserve, set it in a waterless and oxygen-free room, and then put the people that want the gold into this room and seal the door shut behind them. Is gold truly more important than water and oxygen? This topic shouldn't even be up for discussion. Water, oxygen, and animal life are more important than gold, pavement, and pollution.