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Comments: The proposed Golden Crest Exploration Drilling project poses a severe risk to the livelihood and wellness to the people of the Black Hills.  The proposed mining areas are currently some of the most sought-after recreation areas used year-round by cyclists, hikers, runners, skiers, hunters, snowshoers, and outdoor enthusiasts of every kind. This project poses a considerable risk to Spearfish, which has an incredibly strong community of outdoor-oriented people. Having access cut to these incredible areas will ultimately force people out of Spearfish and destroy a significant part of the rich culture that makes Spearfish so fantastic. It is also a considerable concern that the proposed plans include drilling through multiple levels of the watershed that ultimately feed Spearfish Creek and other water sources available to the residents. I often travel to Spearfish all the way from Arizona strictly for its rich and vast possibilities for outdoor adventure, and I also know that I'm not the only one who ventures there for this reason. The gold will always lie there, yet once the land is destroyed, it will never be the same. Nowadays, the conservation and preservation of these recreation areas should 100% be the top priority, with industry being the afterthought.