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Comments: I was born in Deadwood in 1947. Family moved when I was a child but I have been connected to the area by interest and continued family living there.

There was significant impact on Spearfish Creek and Canyon in my early years there from the gold mining. Over the years there has been enormous improvement to both with that impact reduced. This canyon and the entire area are sacred to the indigenous folk and to those of us who recognize its value as a unique forest and mountain area

Please do not deliberately return, knowing full well how negative the impact would be, to another mining entity impacting this area. It will get much further out of control than the promises offered up front.

For a significant example, look to the damage being done to another delicate and valued ecological area in south Texas due to Musk's space projects. This proposed project will also get out of control.

Thank you, Patricia Wallace