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Comments: Yes, please! It is so important to keep our water clean! We have spent many outdoor recreation hours around Pactola: Paddle boarding, kayaking, swimming, mountain biking, hiking, and camping! We want to see the Black Hills remain open for all to enjoy! Our home is in Spearfish and we use the Big Hill area year-round, enjoying all the trails and open lands. We are worried about access for all if drilling and mining are allowed to take place.

We are also worried about Spearfish Creek watershed if Golden Crest is allowed to continue to explore, drill, and/or mine. Keeping our water clean should be a top priority. It has an impact on everyone in the area. Please do not allow the expansion of mining in the Black Hills (Southern or Northern Hills)!

Thank you for listening and considering the impact that mining for minerals would have for years to come.