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Comments: I'm an American taxpayer and resident of South Dakota. I have worked as a Geo-technician and I know what is involved in an exploration or mining project. The dramatic, hysterical, unscientific voices that want to halt this project, should have no bearing on the decision to proceed. They have no experience or real knowledge of what an exploration project entails. In fact, their hypocrisy knows no bounds. They and millions of other Americans support mining everyday with the purchase and use of cell phones, tvs, computers, and cars. This exploration project has the potential to improve South Dakota's economy and provide jobs, but also to help America's future technology and energy demands. Meanwhile, China and other countries are meeting and controlling our mineral demands. America is past due to become the world leader in minerals and mining. Allowing Solitario Zinc this opportunity for exploration is crucial. I support Solitario and all its current and future exploration projects. I will continue to monitor this situation and others like it. I will continue to support Solitario Zinc and other mining companies who have an interest in the people of America and its future.