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Comments: While there is certainly unknown indirect economic impact, (I own a local bar and grill in route) the impact to quality of life and geographical desirability is inarguable. There are numerous well maintained multiuser trail systems both summer and winter seasons with some of the best direct access I've experienced. This includes - mountain biking, hiking, fat biking, Nordic, snowmobiling, snow shoeing, horseback riding, and more. The human population is low enough in the area that the impact to nature seems well maintained as these are shared by several species of birds, mountain lion, deer and even a new bear population. The Spearfish area is a desirable place to live with a robust economy because of these trails and sustainable natural environment. Destroying it could have potentially devastating effects on some of the oldest and untouched national Forrest land in the nation. While logging is already disruptive, it is still sustainable and the local Forrest Service has worked exceptionally well to keep us from losing our trails and way of life. What will this new drilling and mining project look like for the natural wildlife and vegetation residents, as well as the local communities and their enjoyment of his very special location?