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Comments: My concerns regarding this project include disruption of trails for Nordic skiing, mountain biking, hiking, running, and all other outdoor activities. As a certified obesity medicine provider and coordinator for our local Center for Excellence in metabolic and bariatric surgery it is important to me that our patients and community continue to have the capability to utilize our beautiful Black Hills for outdoor activities. This provides so much more than just the joy of outdoor sports. It promotes both physical and mental health and wellness, and enhances our community's well being as a whole. In addition to the health of our community, I personally utilize this area of the hills for my own health and wellness activities and to promote outdoor activities in my young children. With childhood obesity on the rise, it is of utmost importance that we preserve the outdoor opportunities that the black hills have to offer for our future generations. These are the primary factors for my opposition stance to this project. Thank you.