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Comments: I would like to request an EIS for this location as there are many wildlife and natural habitat to rare orchid species in this area. This area is an educational platform for Black Hills flora and fauna, migration of certain bird species, watershed, trail maintenance and military outdoor wilderness training.

Using this land for mining purposes would decrease the amount of many outdoor trails as well, which would negatively impact our future generations from receiving the availability to improve their health and wellness, leading to obesity and increased dependence on the westernized healthcare systems.