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Comments: I am a longtime resident and local of Spearfish. I visit Spearfish Canyon often, and I hike, ski, and ride mountain bike in the Spearfish Canyon area and Big Hill. I oppose the exploration for mining, and any mining in these areas. The traffic, invasion into recreation areas, water usage, and potential pollution, are all reasons to deny Solitario Zinc's proposals. Of course the Forest Service should do a full EIS for this project, and withdraw this and potential projects from future consideration. Water is more valuable to everyone than gold to a handful of people. The only reason to explore for gold is to potentially mine for gold.