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Comments: Dear US Forest Service,

As a Spearfish citizen, I am extremely concerned of the possible impacts of our environment and community if you proceed with the Solitario Golden Crest Project from Hanna to Big Hill without completing a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Please do not proceed with only an Environmental Assessment (EA) as it won't be enough to truly determine the long-term impacts on our environment. We have a number of migrating birds and rare plants that occupy this area. As an avid hiker and biker who recreates in this area, it will also greatly impact me and my family in our daily lives.

Thank you for considering the local community's concerns and conducting the full EIS for this proposed project.

Best,

Kaitlin Palmer