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Comments: I strongly oppose this project and want an EIS. I grew up in Spearfish and have had countless experiences in the Big Hill area. Experiences that are irreplaceable. I was able to hold commune with living beings outside of myself that changed me as a human, and that I hold dear to me to this day. To say that I am concerned about the well being of this area and the community that resides there is an understatement. There are migrating birds that come to the area that are in need of protection, along with rare orchids. Trails that are historic to the appreciation and sharing of knowledge of the the ecology in the area. It is important to think about preserving what we have left, and start to approach the natural world with an I/Thou approach, instead of an I/IT. If we keep othering trees, wildflowers, wildlife, and the landscape, we will keep seeing it as a space that is an instrument; a means to an end. The landscape isn't a resource that is constantly renewable; these actions impact the course of history for all living creatures.