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Comments: I am opposed to the Golden Crest Exploration Project for a multitude of reasons. The proposed mining area is filled with streams and springs and is the main aquifer and watershed for the city of Spearfish . If Solaritro Zinc Inc test drills in this area, this aquifer will be harmed. The Environmental Assessment (EA) performed by the Forest Service or rather outsourced by the Forest Service completely ignores the presence of the abundance of water in this area. Is the Forest Service completely ignorant of the topography and water in the area that they manage?

I request that the Forest Service do their job and conduct a complete Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The pillaging of this land for personal corporate profit and the cost of abatement that will need to be done by local residents and tax payers is absolute nonsense. We all know the end game is a large scale commercial mine similar to Coeur Wharf Gold Mine which has destroyed health and livelihood of those around it.