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Comments: I want the Forest Service to say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal. I ask the Forest Service to do an Environmental Assessment (EA).

I ask for a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when the EA has been completed. This may seem counterintuitive, but there will, in fact, be no significant impact to the land once the miners are forced to withdraw!

The reasoning for these requests are preserving the water quality and keeping the water free of toxic pollutants, helping both the people and animals but this will also preserve the site for recreation.

Let's be clear I also respect the sacred lands of the Lakota People, and think they deserve preservation on the face of it for that reason alone, but the preservation of a precious water source is of primary importance.