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

I support keeping the water free of toxic pollutants, respecting the sacred lands of the Lakota People, and preserving the site for recreation. I support expanding the area covered by the withdrawal to include all federal lands in the Black Hills. These sacred lands, which nourish so many Native and non-Native communities downstream with clean water, should be preserved and pristine forever.