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I strongly support the Lakota People's right to their sacred lands and their cultural values. In addition, keeping as many of our waters free of pollutants and preserving the site for recreational purposes is important to us, as a species, and for all the other creatures the waters support.

To that end, please do an EA (Environmental Assessment). I believe you'll be able to offer a "Finding of No Significant Impact," when the EA is complete.

Most importantly, we must protect our waters. Protecting water is going to be one of our most important challenges from here on out. As our populations rise, the threat to water also rises. Preserving clean water is essential--water IS life.