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Comments: Please save one of the most beautiful and special places in Lakota Country.

I support the Pactola area mineral withdrawal! 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.

Please vote YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal. Please have the Forest Service to do an Environmental Assessment (EA).

I ask you 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! Please do the right thing-keep the water free of toxic pollutants, respect the sacred lands of the Lakota People, and preserve the site for recreation.

We are NOT asking for a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Instead we want an EA, which is a much faster process.