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Comments: I would like the Forest Service to say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal.

Please do an Environmental Assessment (EA) and come up with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when the EA has been completed. Once the miners are forced to withdraw there will be no significant impact to the land

Mines ruin water quality and cultural values, such as keeping the water free of toxic pollutants. Once the chemicals used in the mining process mucks up the water and ruins the surrounding area, it will take generations before the water is pure and suitable for drinking by downstream communities or recreation. And tax payers will inevitably be stuck with the bill.

The Watershed Withdrawal seems like the most cost effective option in the long run.