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Comments: Please say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal. Please also do an Environmental Assessment (EA), followed by 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 the mineral withdrawal for a myriad of reasons, including water quality and cultural values, such as keeping the water free of toxic pollutants, respecting the sacred lands of the Lakota People, and preserving the site for recreation.

Please note that I am NOT asking for a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), as the EA is a much faster process. Thank you for your time and consideration.