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Comments: The Pactola area withdrawal will support a crucial part of the local watershed, and the preservation of its diverse ecology will benefit all South Dakotans. The withdrawal should be expanded to include all federal lands in the Black Hills--ecologically devastating resource extraction projects are short-sighted, especially as we experience worsening effects of global climate change. Maintaining relatively pristine and continuous federal lands is the right thing to do, the safest thing to do, and the wisest thing to do for the community's public health.