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Comments: I encourage the Forest Service to say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal. The benefits of yet another gold mine cannot outweigh those of protecting this water resource, especially in these days when we watch Quebec burn. I ask that you perform an Environmental Assessment (EA) with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when that has been completed. Keeping Jenny Gulch and the watershed pristine is so important for the overall health of the people and ecosystems served by that water, as well as honoring the sacred lands of the Lakota People.

Thank you.