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Comments: I am writing in support of the Pactola area mineral withdrawal. I also support expanding the area covered by the withdrawal to include all federal lands in the Black Hills. These are sacred lands, which provide Native and non-Native communities downstream with clean water.

The Forest Service should say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal.

The Forest Service should complete an Environmental Assessment (EA), and provide a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when the EA has been completed.

I support the mineral withdrawal to protect water quality, keeping toxic pollutants out of the watershed. The Lakota People deserve to be respected, and should have clean water sources.