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Comments: Please save one of the most beautiful and special places in Lakota Country. I support 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 sacred lands, which nourish so many Native and non-Native communities downstream with clean water, should be preserved and pristine forever. I request that the Forest Service do an Environmental Assessment (EA) and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when the EA has been completed. My reasons for supporting the mineral withdrawal are 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.