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Comments: First and foremost, I would like the Forest Service to say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal. The Forest Service should do an Environmental Assessment (EA), which should result in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when the EA has been completed. When the miners are forced to withdraw, the physical impact they are having on the land will be stopped!

My reasons for supporting the mineral withdrawal include water quality and cultural values. The water must be kept free of toxic pollutants. Also, this land should be respected, as it is sacred to the Lakota People. Finally, such a beautiful location should be preserved for the enjoyment and use for recreation by all people.

Please protect this natural resource from pollution, respect the indigenous peoples' own honoring of this land, and save it for the enjoyment of all!