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Comments: I support the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Mineral Withdrawal and expanding the area covered by the withdrawal to include all federal lands in the Black Hills.

The Forest Service should do an EA and FONSI now. At a time when we are beginning to see water scarcity everywhere because of gross mismanagement and the pursuit of profit by corporations, it would be exceedingly foolish and even criminal to allow pollution and waste of so much water needed for life so a few already rich people make unnecessary extra profits to feed their greed.

The U.S. Forest Service has an obligation to preserve the environment and water needed for our survival. These sacred lands, which nourish so many Native and non-Native communities downstream with clean water, should be preserved and pristine forever. We count on you to step up and put people before profit.

Thank you for ensuring wisdom prevails.