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Comments: Please say YES to the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal.

Please do an Environmental Assessment (EA).

Please issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) when the EA has been completed.

My main concern is protecting 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.

I am NOT asking for a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Instead conduct an EA, which is a much faster process.

Lastly, 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.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.