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Comments: I support the Mineral withdrawal. Having grown up in the black hills, I have seen the detrimental effect mines have had on the natural landscape of our area. Mines like the wharf have irreparably tarnished naturally beautiful and ecologically diverse areas such as the one surrounding Terry Peak. I implore you to extend the preserved area to protect Rapid City's watershed, Pactola Lake, and Rapid Creek. Strip mining is an eyesore for locals and tourists alike as well as a danger to our local ecosystems and water. It would be irresponsible to allow more mining to be done without a full EA report with FONSI.