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Comments: I am writing in support of the Pactola area mineral withdrawal. This area is sacred to Indigenous communities and these lands bring clean water to many communities that live downstream. It is imperative that we keep it clean and pristine.

I am also asking that you do an Environmental Assessment and that there be a finding of No Significant Impact once the EA has been completed.

It is crucial that we respect the lands of the Lakota people and all Indigenous people. This is one important step in doing so.