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Comments: I support the proposed mineral withdrawal from the Rapid Creek Watershed. In fact, while I am extremely happy about the proposal, I would like to see the withdrawal expanded to include the entire watershed. I am a small business owner who depends on the watershed to provide recreational opportunities for my customers. I also live in Rapid City and depend on Pactola for my drinking water. I care deeply about the rights of indigenous people who were promised the Black Hills in treaties that have been upheld by the US Supreme Court. For these reasons and more, I thank the Forest Service for requesting this withdrawal.