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Comments: To Mr. Bryan Karchut:

I am writing to you to voice my support for the proposed mineral claims withdrawal around the Pactola Reservoir. In addition, I would like to see that withdrawal expanded to protect the entire Rapid Creek Watershed.

I am a resident of Rapid City and an avid hiker. My husband fishes in the lakes and streams in the Black Hills and my nieces and nephews hunt across the region. Most importantly, my family and I rely on these waters for drinking, cooking and bathing.

I am deeply concerned about the impact of mining on our water supply and the entire ecosystem -- including the thousands of residents who live in this area -- relies on the quality and safety of these water ways.

I greatly appreciate your time and consideration.
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