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Comments: The agencies involved should trust the process that is in place. It is the process they designed and implemented. The NEPA process for exploration and mining accomplishes the same scientific review and decision-making process without putting an unnecessary burden on taxpayers and tying up 20,000 acres of land over an application for six acres.

At the least, please extend the comment period for an additional 30-days and allow our Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board to discuss/provide input on the proposed withdrawal.

Thank you for the consideration.

Regards,

Senator Helene Duhamel

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