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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I am in support of the East Boulder Mine expanding, because if they do not it would force the mine to close. The mine is important to the economy of Big Timber and the environment for the following reasons:

- 1. The Pgms are important to the air quality in the earth, because they are used to clean the exhaust in auto mobiles.
- 2.If the pgms aren't able to be mined in safe and controlled area where they are being supervised, where are they going to get mined?
- 3. If the mine were to close hundreds of people would be forced out of a job which would result in the tax dollars significantly decreasing, the tax dollars are used to support the schools, the hospitals, the first responder, and the building of train tracks and bridges.

There for I am in support of the mine staying open, as a 13yr student who as done the proper research and who had the ability to do a presentation on the mine I feel I have the ability to talk on the expansion of the mine. Thank You for the opportunity to talk on the matter.