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Comments: As a Spearfish citizen, most of my life since age 6 years old, I would like to submit a comment stating that I oppose the golden crest mining project which includes exploratory drilling. My reasons for objection include concern for the impact on the environment in the northern Black Hills in disruption of wildlife. I also oppose because of the amount of water that will be used from our natural springs. Although the statement of assessment says only 2 acres will be affected, there will be travel and traffic in between these areas that will most likely cause disruption to the forest's natural habitat. The increased traffic up-and-down Tinton Road is a concern with residence living up there as well in the amount of dust that it makes and with increased trucks more road damage. Another reason for objection is that the Black Hills national Forest is sacred land to the Native Americans and drilling and mining on the land is disrespectful to them. I am someone that goes up Tinton Road to enjoy the forest and go on hikes, bike rides, cross country skiing, every year in the area that is proposed to be drilled and mined. There are rare species of flowers, trees, and plants as well as many animals that call the area where the drilling is proposed their home.