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Comments: I oppose the Golden Crest Exploration Drilling Project. I live in Rapid City and hold the Black Hills to be a sacred place worthy of protecting. We live in the treaty lands of the Lakota people and have a responsible to care for the land, animals, and water of this area.

The Black Hills National Forest service, and specifically Steve Kozel - District Ranger, need to take into consideration the residents of the Black Hills and more importantly the Tribal leaders when considering destructive mining exploration projects in our region.

Gold is NOT a vital resource - it is a luxury item. Searching for gold is NOT an acceptable cause to devastate or even disturb the wildlife in the northern hills.