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Comments: Dear Forest Service Personnel,

I am writing to support the withdrawal of minerals from the area of Pactola and Jenny Gulch and surrounding areas. I've lived in this area for 60 years and have hiked, swum, fished, biked, skied, and recreated on this precious land. It saddens me to think that mining efforts would destroy this area as well as the potential for polluting the water we use in Rapid City.

The water is critical to my way of life, my neighbors, the animals and all life in this area. For these reasons, I strongly support the proposed mineral withdrawal and my dearest hope is that all mining of any kind whatsoever will cease in this area. I ask that you hear me and the many others who care about the beauty and life-giving resources of this area and make sure it remains pure and beautiful for my ancestors as well as all of us who live here now.

Thank you for reading this.