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Comments: My name is Ilima-Lei Macfarlane and I am in strong opposition to the Pactola Reservoir and Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal due to its potentially devastating environmental and human impact. I have relatives who rely on this source of life as this watershed serves as a vital resource, supplying drinking water to over 78,000 people in Rapid City alone. Its health is essential for the survival of the local ecosystem and the wellbeing of communities who rely on this water source for their daily needs. Allowing further exploitation threatens both environmental balance and public health, and places undue burden on Indigenous communities who have already faced disproportionate environmental injustice. PROTECT THE HE SAPA!