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Comments: I support Pactola Reservoir - Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal #63876. This watershed is a vital and irreplaceable resource essential to the safety and purity of the drinking water supply of the central Black Hills, Rapid City, and the surrounding communities including Ellsworth Airforce Base, and therefore is vital to our national security.

Mining and mineral extraction have a history of accidental pollutant releases and no guarantees of safe work practices can be accepted with any reasonable expectation that accidental failure could be 100% assured.