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Comments: I'm writing to voice my support of the proposed Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek Watershed Withdrawal Project

Furthermore, I encourage the USFS to consider additional areas for withdrawal in this watershed that are in need of protection in order to satisfy the stated purpose: to protect cultural and natural resources and municipal water supplies for Rapid City and Ellsworth Air Force Base.??

Consideration should be given to areas where the water in Pactola comes from, and where it goes after leaving the reservoir. Mining downstream from Pactola is as much a threat as mining upstream or adjacent to Pactola because of the interplay between surface and groundwater in the watershed.