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Comments: I understand that the USFS is considering requiring mining companies to withdraw from the 20,000 acres at the headlands of the Rapid Creek Watershed of the Black Hills, aka He Sapa. I support this Withdrawal. The Black Hills is not only sacred to indigenous peoples of this land, it protects clean rivers, it sustains wildlife at a time when wild creatures need homes, and and it provides wild places where people can learn and understand more about this earth.

Please expedite the Withdrawal proposal to the Secretary of the Department of Interior. This appears to be the best way to ensure that these lands and waters are protected for posterity - and for all of life that needs a balanced environment protected from commercial intrusion. The earth and forests breathe for us, the waters provide for life, and the land has much from which we can learn.

We are learning every year how important it is to live in balance with the plants and animals with whom we share this planet. Please pay attention.

Thank you for your attetion.