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Comments: I strongly support this withdrawal.

It is vital that we protect the sacred lands of the Lakota people, who have already suffered much displacement and desecration of their ancestral lands over the last two centuries.

The headlands of the Rapid Creek watershed must be protected for the sake of all in that region.

It is crucial that we preserve and protect clean water for all affected populations of people and wildlife.

Locals and visitors have a right to clean, well-preserved, and protected wild lands and water for their well-being, and an ongoing heritage of taking responsibility to protect the Earth from the violent toxicity of mining.

I ask that the Forest Service expedite the withdrawal proposal to the Secretary of the Department of Interior. The Black Hills must be protected from toxic mining ventures that could ruin the land and water for many years to come.

Thank you.