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Comments: I cannot understate my support for the withdrawal of mining companies from the Rapid Creek Watershed in the He Sapa (Black Hills). Indignenous land and water protectors are absolutely right to conserve this critical area for the health of the land and of its people. As we've seen everywhere in my home state of Arizona, mining companies and their brutal and polluting extraction methods decimate the land, kill speices, and poison the earth and water for generations to come. There is no better way to conserve these sacred lands of our shared planet than to leave them in the hands of the humans who have loved and protected it for thousands of generations. Companies and their profit motives treat this Earth as if it's a disposible commodity, which is what has created the climate crisis and impoverishment of Native people. I implore the Forest Service to expedite the Withdrawal proposal to the Secretary of the Department of Interior.