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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

Thank you for soliciting public comment on this important topic.

First, I support this Withdrawal.

We are only beginning to fully understand the impacts of poisoning our watersheds. We do know it can take many decades to repair itself and the health impacts reverberate throughout the web of life for generations.

Looking back to Yellowstone and the other original national parks, it was only decades later did we understand the importance of that decision. We have gained tremendously from our national parks: recreation, clean air, clean water, and biodiversity. Our understanding of large biomes and how they work and change would be diminished if those parks did not exist.

We know that water resources will only be more stressed in the future. It is vital we keep large areas pristine and free of contamination.

I only vaguely know that these lands and the adjoining lands are sacred to the native tribes. It would be a shame to further erode their way of life, their beliefs, and their rights.

The Forest Service has already determined there would be no adverse effects from withdrawal, we know there could be devastating consequences if we don't. Please expedite the Withdrawal proposal to the Secretary of the Department of Interior.

Thank you for your service.

Steve Drew