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Comments: Please implement a mineral withdrawal, wherever possible but especially in the Pactola Reservoir and Black Hills (Pahá Sápa) of the Lakota Nation. As noted by the NDN Collective, 1/5 (233,000) of acres in the Black Hills currently are under mining claims that range from uranium (which was spilled and has poisoned Navajo Nation since the 1970s), gold, lithium, rare metals and others. These mining claims can significantly endanger the quality of water, safety for animals, plants, people and Mother Earth. Please begin motions to initiate mineral withdrawals to protect the Black Hills from further destruction, protecting water sources, and terminating mining and mining exploration. Thank you.