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Comments: I support the withdrawal.

I would like to thank the USFS for a lot of the hard, difficult, and important work you guys do. I am particularly grateful for your commitment to sustaining, and maintaining, the Pactola Reservoir-Rapid Creek watershed in the most pristine condition possible for the next twenty years, and hopefully beyond. It is beyond doubt how important this withdrawal is to the cultural, spiritual, and physical health of the Lakota People, to the Rapid City population, and to the Nation as a whole. The benefits of this withdrawal is a movement in the right direction to halt any further destructive impact mining and extraction will have to this precious and pristine area. Please expedite the withdrawal proposal to the Secretary of the Interior. Thank you.