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Dear Forest Service & BLM staff,

Prairie Hills Audubon Society supports the proposed Pactola Reservoir Area-Rapid Creek Watershed Mineral Withdrawal. This will protect Rapid City's, Box Elder's & Ellsworth Air-force Base's drinking water as well as other resources. Mining ventures generally don't have very great records at preventing water pollution. We thank the Forest Service for their proposal.

I hope I will have time to write a longer letter of support later, but I wanted to be sure to at least get in a short comment letter before the comment deadline.

Thanks,

Nancy Hilding

President

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