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Comments: Over the years I have enjoyed many a wonderful adventure in and around Lake Pactola. The thought that the beauty of the area could be damaged by mining breaks my heart. When there are so few places to enjoy water sports in the hills the thought that one could be affected by mining hurts not only the current residents and tourists, but generations to come. In addition, the possibility that Rapid City's water could be contaminated so that private parties' pockets can be lined is disgusting. Too many destructive environmental decisions have been made for those with the most money, but our natural resources are limited and it is up us to ensure they are available in all their glory for the future. Please keep mining away from public areas and especially when a city's water could be effected.