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Comments: I am writing to support the withdrawal of mining companies from the rapid Creek watershed in the Black hills. I grew up in South Dakota and have a huge appreciation for this pristine land which is held sacred by the indigenous peoples of the area. In the interest of protecting clean water, which is absolutely necessary to every citizen, in the interest of protecting nature, and to preserve recreational opportunities for the public, I asked that you expedited the withdrawal proposals to the secretary of the department of the interior.

Thank you so much for your attention to this matter of utmost importance.