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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Cathy Thrash of Rapid City, SD and I SUPPORT the Forest Service proposal for mineral withdrawal to protect Pactola and Rapid Creek Watershed. I was born, raised, and am a resident of the Black Hills of South Dakota. I own two small businesses in Rapid City. I care about this area. It is special and sacred to all of us and especially indigenous people. It is our DUTY to keep its beauty, energy, and sacredness intact and refrain from any further harm, ESPECIALLY where the quality of our water is concerned, and ESPECIALLY from the mining industry. Water is of utmost importance and keeping it clean and plentiful is of the utmost priority, now more than ever! Thank you for taking comments, for listening to the public, and for taking steps to care of the beautiful Black Hills.

-Cathy Thrash