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Comments: Hi. I am a Rapid City resident and an avid outdoor aficionado, hiking, biking, fishing, etc.

My concern and opposition to this project are for the potential to contaminate Rapid Creek and to crosscontaminate with other water sources. Water resources in the area are limited and we can't risk contamination of ANY of them especially with the growing population.

I am requesting 2 things: a 60-day extension of the public comment period to make sure everyone is aware and can comment and second, I would like an Environmental Impact Statement done by the Forest service.

It seems that there are too many mineral explorations going on throughout the Black Hills. Part of these lands are sacred to our native brothers and sisters, and all of the land and water need protection as we go into the future.

Thank you for listening!