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Comments: I strongly oppose the proposed exploratory drilling for graphite by Pete Lein & Son in the Black Hills. This project threatens to disrupt the delicate balance of the region's environment, putting local wildlife, native plants and water source at risk. The noise, pollution, and land disturbance associated with drilling would negatively impact both the ecosystem and the people who live, work and recreate in the area. The Black Hills hold cultural, historical, and ecological significance and industrial exploration jeopardizes their integrity. We must prioritize the long-term health of the land and community over short-term resource extraction.