Data Submitted (UTC 11): 4/21/2025 2:00:44 PM First name: Nastassja Last name: Noell Organization: Title: Comments: Dear Forest Service staff,

I am a lichenogist and supporter of indigenous rights. The Pete Lien and Sons Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838 is proposed to occur on sacred lands of the Lakota, Dakota and other indigenous groups for thousands of years, the protected lands of the Pe'sla. Additionally, the Rapid Creek watershed and underground aquifers are at risk from the exploratory drilling.

I urge the Forest Service to deny this exploratory drilling project proposal.

Thank you