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Comments: To Whom It May Concern,

I write in strong opposition to any drilling or mining projects proposed for Pe' Sla.

Pe' Sla is sacred land, recognized for centuries by the Lakota people as a place of ceremony, origin, and spiritual connection. It is protected not only by its cultural and spiritual significance but also by the 1868 Fort Laramie Treaty, which affirmed the Black Hills as sovereign Lakota territory. The 2012 and 2015 efforts by multiple Oceti Sakowin tribes to purchase and reclaim this land were acts of healing, stewardship, and sovereignty.

To drill or mine this land is not only a violation of treaty rights, it is a direct assault on the integrity of a place that has already endured centuries of dispossession. Such a project would desecrate sacred ground, threaten ecological balance, and undermine the commitments made to protect Pe' Sla for future generations.

This land was not meant to be extracted. It was meant to be honored.

Respect the treaties. Honor the protection of Pe' Sla. Do not move forward with this project.

Sincerely,

Kati Haynes