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Comments: As a landowner I vehemently oppose this project for exploratory drilling. I specifically purchased my home based on the creek which runs through my property. I understand that holes will be drilled in close proximity to headwaters which supplies castle creek and in turn Pactola Reservoir. I hike through and near the proposed sites and encounter elk, deer, coyotes, turkeys and bald eagles during every hike each day. I believe drilling in this area will hugely impact the wildlife. I also have a well that supplies my home with drinking water. I believe drilling will impact not only our natural resources but historical and cultural environments. What happens if graphite is found and the real drilling begins? Seven Hills road is directly adjacent to my property and the heavy machinery would be a huge intrusion on my serenity I encounter at my home. Drilling in this area would be a huge injustice in keeping the beautiful Black Hills in its natural state. I am requesting that this proposed project be terminated immediately.