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Comments: I stand in strong opposition to the proposed graphite mine at Pe' Sla. This sacred land holds deep spiritual, cultural, and historical significance for the Lakota people. Pe' Sla is not just a place-it is a living prayer, a vital connection to ancestry, identity, and future generations.

Over a decade ago, Tokata Iron Eyes reminded us that even children recognize the importance of protecting sacred land. That call remains as urgent as ever. Industrial development on Pe' Sla would cause irreparable harm to the land, to Indigenous rights, and to the spiritual lifeways that have existed there since time immemorial.

We must honor the sovereignty and voice of the Lakota Nation and reject any project that threatens this sacred site. The future depends on our collective courage to protect what is sacred. Say no to the mine. Protect Pe' Sla.