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Comments: I am against this exploratory mining project. The entire area is sacred to the Lakota people, from whom this society has already taken so much. Though the project boundaries do not cross the official Pe' Sla boundaries on your maps, the drill sites are still very close to Pe' Sla - especially 16 and 17 in the southern area. The plan does show attempts to mitigate adverse affects, but they are never enough, and exploratory mining most often leads to permanent mining. The noise of vehicles and equipment will be disturbing to all who live near Pe' Sla, and to those who walk its trails seeking spiritual release and the joy of nature. There is no way it will not affect wildlife habitat and safety, no matter how much effort you employ. Please do not do exploratory mining or further mining projects in or near sacred Lakota lands.