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Comments: Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838 would involve 18 drill pads. Exploration could contaminate water in the upper Rapid Creek watershed, with some proposed drill pads very close to streams. And there is also the potential for contamination or cross-contamination of underground water sources.

I request a 60-day extension of the "scoping" public comment period, so everyone has an opportunity to comment and for the Forest Service to require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project.