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Comments: I am sad to hear that the land (including Pe'Sla) returned to indigenous people in 2012 is once again being targeted for profit by mining entities. My grandmother was born in the Black Hills and recounted stories of her Lakota neighbors. Good neighbors in a pristine environment.

Why isn't there an Environmental Impact Statement for this project? This area is still part of the wilderness that we are trying to grow in order to counteract the fossil fuels that have produced this climate chaos. (30/30 and 50/50 may not be soon enough.) The potential environmental impact to air/water/soil must be determined. At what point will we stop carpetbaggers from going in and despoiling a sacred land?

And the land is sacred, the site of ceremonial practices for the Lakota people. As a people, they are looking further into future. It should remain pristine forever.