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Comments: I've heard about Pe' SIa in the Black Hills, sacred to the Lakota People. Mining within and around that area should never be allowed as it should be left to the care of the Indigenous people.

The project name is Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838 and I strongly suggest a 60-day extension of the scoping public comment period so everyone who wants to will have the opportunity to comment. Also, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) should be required.

The reasons to halt and ultimately abandon the project in the area are to protect the environment and leave the area to the Lakota People and their traditional ceremonial practices.