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Comments: The Forest Service should require an environmental impact statement for this project. In addition, the scoping comment period should be extended by 60 days to allow for sufficient public input.

This project is of great concern to the Lakotas and other Native American tribes due to its location adjacent to, and possibly on, the Pe' Sla sacred site. It is also of great concern to those of us who are not Native but who value freedom of religion not solely for Christians but for religious persons in general. The use of this site for traditional ceremonies is reportedly jeopardized by the project.

In addition to these impacts, the possible impacts on groundwater and surface waters should be reviewed closely, based on adequate data.