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Comments: Regarding Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838, BHCWA's research tells us that the project 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.

With this risk, I request that you provide a 60-day extension of the "scoping" public comment period, so everyone has an opportunity to comment. Personally, I oppose the Rochford Mineral Exploration due to the potential negative environmental impacts and the disruption of traditional ceremonial practices for Lakota's. Thank you for your consideration. Michael D Wallace. MS