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Comments: I strongly oppose Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838.

As a former contract worker with a company involved in drilling and mining, I have knowledge of the permanent damage that projects like this can have on the environment and on the inhabitants near the land where the drilling and mining occurs. The risk of contamination to water supplies is very high and the destruction of land sacred to the Lakotas is unconscionable.

I request that you provide for a 60-day extension of the "scoping" public comment period, to provide everyone an opportunity to comment. Clearly, people deserve the opportunity to be heard and counted. Further, an Environmental Impact Statement should be required in order to fully understand the risks

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.