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Comments: 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."

This is why I strongly opposed the Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838.

I am requesting a 60-day extension of the "scoping" public comment period, so everyone has an opportunity to comment, most especially affected tribal citizens.

I urge the USFS to require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project.