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Comments: In regards to the Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project #67838

The Black Hills are a special place, and having visited there several times I believe we have to be careful and conscious of the impacts of a project like this on the landscape, the environment, and the native people who have cared for this land for generations.

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."

We must protect our groundwater, our environment, and our heritage. Thank you.