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Comments: For the Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project: the project is too close. It is adjacent to some proposed drill pads and could encroach on Sacred Lands. There are 18 drill pads, the exploraton could contaminate water in the upper Rapid Creek watershed with some of the drill pads very close to streams. There is a potential for contamination and cross contamination of underground water sources.

In short, there is potential negative environmental impacts and disruption of traditional ceremonial practices for the Lakotas. Please require an Environmental Impact statement for this project.

thank you, Terry Yingling