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Comments: This project, the Rochford Mineral Exploratory Drilling Project, is not in the interest of the American people. The potential negative environmental impacts as a result of this project are significant. There is also the concern for the disruption of traditional ceremonial practices for Lakotas that live in the area. The Black Hills are sacred to these indigenous peoples and the land should remain protected and undrilled. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project should also be a requirement as is the usual case for these types of projects! EISes are important so that there can be outside scientific assessment of the impacts and allow for a more informed decision on the project. There also should be a 60-day extension of the "scoping" public comment period, so everyone has an opportunity to comment on this issue.