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Comments: I am writing today to oppose the approval of this drilling project. The land proposed for drilling is known to the Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota peoples of North America as Pe'sla, which translates in English to "The Center of everything." It is a sacred site in the traditions of these peoples and it would be tremendously disrespectful to the native peoples and cultures of this nation if this land were to be disrespected.

I reach out from the East Coast, in Belfast, ME. I am not a community member but am a neighbor. The National Forest Service has an opportunity to become leaders in the reparation of relationships between the United States Government and the Native peoples who have lived on this land far longer than our constitution has existed. Please do not approve this mining project.

thank you for your consideration,