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Comments: The use of sacred tribal land for the profits of industry at the expense of the peoples who hold that land. If these lands are allowed to be desecrated, it is the continuation of the genocide that the United States has afflicted on native peoples since its inception. Land under the protection of the Federal Indian Trust ought to be defended in the interest of the local people, protecting their natural resources so they are not poisoned by corporate interest. This drilling project would contaminate the ground water for many many people in the area, and destroy the ecology, as has happened to so many communities abused by capital interest and uninterested government. Protection should be done in the interest of physical health, but also the spiritual welfare of the building of community and the preservation of traditional practices. Drilling here would irreparably damage these peoples' ability to build community in this way. Additionally, this project would harm the ability of the near extinct bison to thrive in the area, continuing one of the major stated goals of the American genocide of Native peoples. Drilling in this area should not be pursued, in the interest of human decency, public health, the local ecology, and the spiritual freedom for the local population.