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Comments: Mineral and particularly graphite mining is deeply harmful to the environment and there have been no promises that this particular instances will take care not to pollute water and destroy ecosystems. As far as I understand there has been very little to address the extensive carbon footprint of mining as well. All this is already grounds enough for refusing a project like this. But to know that the land impacted is sacred and culturally significant to Lakota people, and so will be greatly harmed, makes a mineral drilling and mining project inconceivable. This project should not be allowed to come to fruition.