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Comments: Pesla is a sacred landscape in Lakota culture and cosmology. The site is of religious importance as the "center of the Universe" and has been ceremonially recognized for tens of thousands of years as the first of a series of locations where annual prayers that renew the connection between our Earth and our Stars and maintain the moving energy of the world. Pesla is known as an integral part of a Spiritual landscape mirrored in the stars. An insult to this site is the deepest transgression of Indigenous continued peaceful and undisturbed practice of religious and cultural freedom.