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Comments: No, this project does NOT need to happen. Pete Lien & Sons worth possibly 100s of millions of dollars is destroying a beautiful natural environment for selfish purposes of greed and unnecessary financial gain. Graphite mining can expose people, plants, and animals to harmful waste products and airborne particles. Groundwater quality can be negatively affected, which can further harm people and animals in many ways. Do the research, and you'll learn why all mining should be outlawed in the Black Hills. Why should these private companies be allowed to profit off of our natural resources? Please do not allow Pete Lien & Sons to move forward with this project. There is absolutely no benefit to the community at large or our environment.