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Comments: Rosebud Sioux Tribe is in opposition to drilling at the Ponderosa Project #64551 Spearfish Canyon, a part of the Black Hills regarded as sacred by multiple tribes. Rosebud Sioux Tribe is insisting on a full Environmental Impact Statement.

As children, Lakota were taught that to dig in the ground(Unci Maka aka Grandmother Earth) especially without purpose is a serious offense to all of life that she nurtures. The Black Hills are "The Heart of the Earth" and the birthplace of the Lakota culture.

The gold that is brought out from the earth has no place on the surface as it does not provide food or sustenance of any kind, it has no value toward life as is.

The destruction that such a project brings is irreparable to the water, the flora and fauna; the Environmental Impact Statement will support this.