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Comments: I oppose this project, which would include clearcutting of trees, and over 400 drill holes, each hole up to 3,000+ feet deep, and each a potential conduit of pollution to the watershed which will last indefinitely.

Further, the project would mean 24-5 lights, noise, and dust in a huge, pristine recreational area of great value to the local economy, and of ceremonial value to the local Native American community.

I believe this project would also be a violation of Tribal treaty rights and the religious freedom of Native Americans since the mining claims come within about a mile of a ceremonial ground on tribally held land.

The people of the Spearfish area have made clear their opposition to mining projects in their local area, and I would like to lend my support to them. This is a bad project which should not be approved.

Thanks for your time and attention,

George Hasapidis