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Comments: I am writing in support of Solitario Resources' plan to conduct exploration drilling in the Black Hills. Our state should consider itself blessed to have potential resources that can support the critical materials supply chain that is essential to our daily lives and to national security. As a nation, we cannot continue to rely on resources from foreign countries when we have our own right here. If resources are found and it is economical to extract them, the public should be open to learning what modern mining practices are like. It's not the same as it was 50-100 years ago. Technology and environmental sustainability practices ensure that it is safe for the workers, the environment, and the citizens in the region. If extracted, these resources would provide jobs and tax revenue to the state of South Dakota. Our state needs more economic development and revenue resources to provide services to the citizens of our state.