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Comments: I oppose this project for several reasons.

I am concerned with potential contamination to the Spearfish Creek watershed downstream of the project site and what that would do to the drinking water in the aquifer.

I am concerned for the people who rely on clean water in the irrigation ditches through town.

I am concerned about destruction of the habitat and ecosystem of the canyon.

I am concerned about the negative impacts it would have on recreational opportunities that currently exist in the area.

For all these reasons, I am asking that the USFS demand a full NEPA study prior to approval. I also ask that the USS place the Spearfish Creek watershed in a mineral withdrawal, following the precedent that was recently set on Rapid Creek, for a minimum of 20 years.

Spearfish Creek is an incredible asset to our community and we must do everything we can to preserve and protect it for future generations.