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Subject: Opposition to Project Affecting Spearfish Creek Watershed

Dear U.S. Forest Service.

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed project for several important reasons:

- *I am deeply concerned about the potential contamination to the Spearfish Creek watershed downstream of the project site and the serious risks it poses to the aquifer and our community's drinking water.
- *I am concerned for the residents who rely on clean water from the irrigation ditches that run through town.
- *I am alarmed by the potential destruction of the local habitat and ecosystem in the canyon.
- *I am also concerned about the negative effects this project could have on recreational opportunities that are currently vital to our area's well-being.

Given these concerns, I respectfully request that the USFS require a full NEPA study before granting any approvals. Furthermore, I urge you to place the Spearfish Creek watershed in a mineral withdrawal, following the precedent set for Rapid Creek, for a minimum of 20 years.

Spearfish Creek is an invaluable asset to our community, and we must take every possible step to preserve and protect it for the benefit of future generations.

Sincerely, Carly Randall