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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

Any mining or test drilling in the Black Hills is a violation of a Spiritual and Sacred Land. It is harmful to the water that the wildlife and people living here rely on for life. The habitat of the wildlife is destroyed by these harmful activities.

The Black Hills in their entirety are unceded treaty land. According to the treaty and the 1980 U.S. Supreme Court Decision, United States vs. Sioux Nation of Indians, 448 U.S. 371, found the Black Hills to have been unlawfully taken from the Sioux Nation. Exploration for minerals and mining in the Black Hills is nothing more than theft.

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