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Comments: To Whom it May Concern,

There is no reason to allow a Canadian Co to ruin a beautiful area here in the Black Hills. Nuclear Power is dangerous and renewables need to be focused on - we do not want to encourage nuclear power. In addition, this canyon is a historic site with artifacts and the water usage alone is prohibitive. As I understand it, the Jinx project would involve 17 drill pads with drilling depths reaching 700 feet. Each drill site would use 5,000 to 10,000 gallons of water per day.

This is not sustainable with the draught conditions we have had in the Black Hills recently. Our snowfall is very low this year and has been in subsequent years. We need water for the people, ranchers, and farmers that already live here. We do not want any mining in the BHs and we do not want our water being used when there is a precipitation shortage already. From this EPA site: <https://www.epa.gov/radtown/radioactive-waste-uranium-mining-and-milling>

"Regardless of how uranium is extracted from rock, the processes leave behind radioactive waste. These processes separate uranium from its decay products which are also radioactive and actually contain most (80-90%) of the radioactivity in the rock (ore). The solid radioactive wastes that are left over from the milling processes are called tailings and the liquid wastes are called raffinates. Mill tailings and raffinates are stored in specially designed ponds called impoundments. The tailings remain radioactive and contain hazardous chemicals from the recovery process."

There are already too many sites in the BHs that were not clean-up and our water is already contaminated - especially our rivers. For all of these reasons and many more - we are saying NO NO NO to this project. No exploration and no project!

Sincerely,

Harvey and Liz Fayer