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Comments: Commenting in opposition to the October Jinx project. I'm not from the area but spend a lot of time on national forest land and demand the forest service, whom my taxes pay for, be responsible stewards of the environment while managing resource use. Exploratory drilling in a water-scarce region is plainly irresponsible, and the proposal to let the project proceed without a full environmental review is an abdication of duty. It is also another example of the ongoing disregard for land with profound significance to Indigenous peoples--land that, especially in the case of the Black Hills, was quite famously and blatantly stolen.

The same embrace of plunder without regard for sustainability and safety is threatening my local nat'l forests, and I oppose it everywhere.