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Comments: I unequivocally oppose the October Jinx Project #67625 because it will endanger our water supply, disturb wildlife, and damage cultural artifacts. More specifically, this project would result in at least the following harms to the Fall River South Dakota community:

-Drilling chemicals will pollute our aquifer and create water that is unsafe for human consumption.

-Pumping activities between sites will create an opportunity for cross contamination of the aquifer sections with radioactive and toxic chemicals.

-Storage of radioactive and toxic chemicals in unlined open pits will ensure continued contamination of our aquifer and water that is unsafe for human consumption.

-Drilling activities will disturb wildlife and disrupt hunting, an important source of revenue for our local economy.

-Storage of radioactive and toxic chemicals in unlined open pits will pollute the area and create a hazard for humans and wildlife.

-Drilling activities will harm cultural artifacts and disrupt tourism, which is a significant source of revenue for our local economy.

-Drilling activities, such as traffic, noise, and light, will negatively impact local residents, tourism, and wildlife.

-Fall River County is already suffering from drought. The proposed project would irresponsibly use our already scarce water for activities that harm inhabitants and the local economy.