Public comments on Draft Section 321 – Hard Rock Mining Operations Ordinance for Pennington County, SD

**DUE OCTOBER 6, 2019**

View Draft Ordinance and comment under Planning Department tab at www.pennco.org AND email pcboc@pennco.org asking the County to:

- **Provide protection from the potential impacts of mining exploration** by putting in place a strong exploratory drilling permitting process.
- **Protect cultural and historical resources by enforcing meaningful** consultation with Tribes and information from other local specialists.
- **Protect the public interest** by limiting the locations and conditions under which mining would be allowed. For example, it's not in the public interest to allow mining near streams and lakes.
- **Broaden public participation** by providing public notices in more newspapers and requiring reasonable public comment opportunities.

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**PROTECT RAPID CITY’S WATER SUPPLY**

SEND COMMENTS ON NEW LAW TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION BY OCTOBER 6

Tell Pennington County why protecting the Black Hills from mining is important to you personally. **Remember that rivers and streams proceed downstream from the Black Hills.**

If mining happens in the central Black Hills, it will also affect waters to the east, including Rapid City. **We all share the responsibility to protect clean water.**

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