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Subject: Thanks for your vote

Dear City Council Members,

Thanks for your vote on the City Council expressing support for a resolution in opposition to uranium mining in the southern Black Hills.

You will hear from the mining industry that ISL uranium mining is safe, but those of us who have followed the history of uranium mining in the US for many years know otherwise.

- ISL mining takes place underground making monitoring difficult.
- The uranium now locked in rock is put into solution so it can travel.
- The geology of the Hills is extremely complex and not fully understood.
- The state legislature, under pressure from Powertech, set aside ISL mining oversight rules in 2011.
- The people of our area depend on groundwater for drinking and for agriculture.
- A polluted aquifer cannot be cleaned up.

The risks of mining in aquifers are just too great.

We opponents of uranium mining take the long view. Trading a steady supply of high quality water for a few jobs is not, in our view, good public policy.

Please, as our elected leadership, stand firm and support a strong resolution in favor of water protection.

Thanks.

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