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Resolution

WHEREAS, Weston County depends economically and culturally upon multiple use management of the Black Hills National Forest, and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Wilderness Act of 1993 proposes to lock 131,200 acres into wilderness designation which would limit the multiple use concept, and

WHEREAS, present multiple use management by the Black Hills National Forest was heavily favored at recent public hearings for the Black Hills National Forest ten year management revision plan, and

WHEREAS, present management of Black Hills National Forest provides for appropriate land use, water yield and protection and fire prevention throughout the forest, and

WHEREAS, there is already a balance of designated wilderness in the Black Hills, and

WHEREAS, a portion of mineral, grazing, and timber receipts obtained from multiple use management supports Weston County's tax base, and

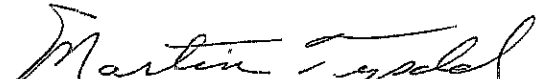
WHEREAS, a reduction of any multiple use of Black Hills National Forest including recreation, grazing, timbering, or mining will cause socio-economic problems in Weston County.


THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Weston County Commissioners oppose the South Dakota Wilderness Act of 1993, and

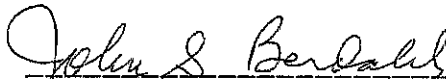
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Weston County Commissioners support the Forest Service in continuing multiple use management of the Black Hills National Forest with no further wilderness designations.


DATED this 5th day of May, 1993.


Ted M. Elliott, Chairman


Martin Tysdal, Vice-chairman


Bill Barton


John S. Berdahl


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