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I support the move to withdraw the 225,378 acres from mining and prospecting permits though I think it should be made a permanent ban. There are minerals and extractable resources everywhere and times have changed. Our number one priority should be protection of ecosystem integrity which often extends beyond artificial boundaries established for parks etc. This is for the health and wellbeing of people and wildlife. Please protect the Boundary Waters and surrounding contributing watersheds and do not permit mining of any type. Thank you

Best Regards
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