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To whom it may concern,

I **strongly support the proposed withdrawal of 225,378 acres of land from new mineral leasing** in the Rainy River Watershed near the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) for 20 years. The BWCAW is an American treasure that needs to remain protected. Mining near the BWCAW would pose a serious threat to the pristiness of this area, potentially harming many species of fish and wildlife and hurting the recreation economy of the region.

Regards,

Chris Cook