



H2B cap leaves many jobs open in tourism industry

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RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) A limit on the number of foreign workers allowed in the U.S. is making it harder for some Black Hills businesses to find workers during the tourism season.

Bill Honerkamp is with the Black Hills, Badlands and Lakes Association. He says the foreigners are hard workers, will take all the hours they can get, and will do jobs that others don't want.

The H-2-B program limits foreign workers nationally to 33,000 in winter and 33,000 in summer.

The state Labor Department says 61 employers sought to fill 1,161 jobs through the program in 2005.