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Comments: I'm concerned about the impact this could have on the fungi in the area. This region is home to a rich diversity of both macro and micro fungi. If mining takes place here, the land could become classified as a brownfield site. While mushrooms are known to absorb contaminants from the environment, this also means they could become unsafe to forage-posing a risk to both wildlife and humans. Clean, uncontaminated food and water sources are essential for the health of people, elk, and other animals that rely on this ecosystem.