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Comments: USFS,

I'm writing in concern about the proposed mining project in Long Valley, CA. Growing up in California, I've seen the transformation of open land change especially with popularity of open spaces. The National Parks have always been popular, but now the secret open spaces are getting over crowded. This mining project will destroy more open space by creating dust, noise and light pollution. Can't there just be an area that can be left untouched?

The other day there was a beautiful heard of Mule deer meandering through the environment, heading back to the upper elevations for summer. That very heard I saw, had a member hit by a car on 395. It breaks my heart. Why add another obstacle for the Mule deer? You know, the Mule deer would not be the only affected species.

Can you just conduct a thorough environmental assessment and not use a truncated environmental review process? I wouldn't have know about this project if I didn't hear it from a friend. If there was a thorough assessment, it might set better with the concerned public.