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Comments: I would like to go on record in opposition of the proposed Kore Mining test drilling and potential gold mine in the Long Valley. I oppose using a categorical exclusion and feel strongly that this kind of footprint disruption minimally should require an environmental assessment. This area is habitat for sage grouse and migrating mule deer. If test samples bear out enough minerals to justify a mine, this would most likely be a heap leach cyanide-type mine and have even more environmental impact. Profits from this mine would leave the area for a Canadian mining company with few local jobs. Most mines only last approximately 10 years anyway and history has shown that when these companies leave, they leave behind permanent damage to the environment.