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Comments: I am submitting comments on the proposed Long Valley Exploration Drilling Project by Kore Mining. This project should not be permitted as planned. Objections are: 1) 230 acres of forest will be disturbed by the construction of 14 drill pads and the associated effects of heavy equipment; 2) heavy equipment usage will be intense, creating excessive dust, noise, and other disturbances; 3) cultural artifacts could be disturbed and/or destroyed; 4) wildlife habitat will be disrupted and possibly destroyed; 5) recreational opportunities will be disrupted or even stifled because of the noise, dust, and sizable presence of construction and drilling. I urge the USFS to consider the adverse effects of this project and deny approval. Summer is when this area receives the most visitors and wildlife is most active. Both of these groups are more important than a temporary project concerned solely with monetary gain. Thank you.