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Comments: Whereas Mining has been a crucial part of the history of the eastern Sierra, the term history is the key here--past tense! Just look at the number of abandoned mines in the area and the danger they pose to the public. What's the chance of this mine being abandoned? Check the stats. It's awful. Then there's Hot Creek--A world class fly fishing destination. Anglers from around the globe drool at the opportunity to fish this famous fishery. And now a mine is planned within shouting distance of this iconic water? Are you kidding me? It's insanity! You absolutely cannot allow drilling anywhere near this place. The cost of hurting or losing this precious fishery is criminal. I have fly fished this water for 30 years and plan to have a portion of my ashes dropped there. I would hate to them dropped on a superfund site.