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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Kore Gold drilling project for Long Valley. The project is a dangerous and destructive one, proposed for a vulnerable area. If it is successful, it will result in a much-larger mining project of near-unimaginable damage. It's goal is the extraction of gold, an unnecessary metal, providing profit to a small group of investors from outside of the area, in fact mostly outside of the U.S.! Gold can be found in many places, but tends to be thinly distributed, and is extracted by processing huge quantities rock, from huge open pits, including huge (and usually leaky) poisonous artificial ponds, which are filled with huge amounts of our precious water, laced with cyanide. We don't need the dead birds, the sick people, or the massive landscape destruction. We don't need a gold mine in Long Valley, and we certainly don't need a drilling operation in our backyard which is designed to result in such a mine. Please place the largest possible liability bonds and environmental review requirements on this project, and reject any permit requests from Kore Gold. The company will form smaller subordinate companies to do any actual work, and these will simply declare bankruptcy in order to escape liability for any future problems, which probably will occur. Thank you for considering my comments.