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Comments: Ms. Garcia -

I am opposed to the proposed mining operation proposed by KORE mining in the area of Hot Creek. I believe this operation will do irreparable harm to the surrounding area. Mining operations have a long legacy of adversely affecting the environment during and long after active mining ceases. Of particular concern is the potential for toxic chemicals leaching into the the ground or flowing into nearby streams. Hot Creek flows into the Owens River which in turn flows into the Los Angeles aqueduct, a major source of water for several million people. Sincerely,