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Comments: Please deny this application. Even drilling for possible exploitation will defile a scenically wonderful region, and will likely severely damage Hot Creek and surroundings with particulates and chemical runoff. There will be noise, lights, and other effects that will disturb wildlife and compromise the environment. Even the possibility of strip or open pit mining on the recurrent dome constitute an atrocity against the environment! The scars from test-drilling will linger for decades. Do not trust the wildcatters or exploitation companies when they promise to remediate their spoilage of the environment. They will never do an effective job, and will deny responsibility, go bankrupt, reorganize, or use all legal means possible to escape responsibility and maximize their profits... at the expense of the environment and the outdoor-loving public. Seems like it always ends up that way: look at the history of Appalachian coal mining, northern Minnesota open pit iron mining, and numerous other examples that left Superfund disasters in previously desirable landscapes. DO NOT TRUST THE EXPLORERS AND EXPLOITERS. Let Long Valley remain as it is. Deny the application!