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Comments: The use of an EA rather than an EIS means that an agency is not required to assess the cumulative impacts of the proposal.... In a practical sense, EAs function as piecemeal planning due to their limited scope, while EIS's function more as holistic, landscape-level planning.

While the presented EA is detailed, for a project of this scope and obvious impact on life in Northern NM, the future generations deserve an EIS.

Thank you very much.