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Comments: Dear Stillwater Mine,

I am a resident on the East Boulder Rd., McLeod, MT. My husband and I have lived in harmony with the mine, its traffic and various other issues since 2006. We are in our mid seventies and had planned to live here til our passing. Then we would leave this beautiful place to our daughters and grandchild.

Last summer we were gathered by the mine and told that if the mine tailing ponds... old or new failed, we would have 10-15 minute warning from the Sweet Grass County Sheriff's Office in Big Timber. At that point we ae to leave everything behind and climb up the nearest mountain. This could be in the dead of winter and in the dead of the night. Very daunting idea for a 74 year old woman. So we packed some emergency back packs with matches, food, and some important articles. Now we wait for an alert that may or may not reach us in time.

We did not factor in this precarious situation when we bought this property. We planned to live peacefully with the mine operation as it was. With this huge new expansion we live in fear for our lives and property. There is an alternative. There is something called "Dry Stacking" which has been successfully employed in Canada. I want the Stillwater Mine to seriously consider this ecological alternative. Otherwise, huge vats of unknown fluid will inundate our homes, bridges, roads, rivers and town.

I ask you to please consider the live, homes. livelihoods and town of Big Timber , Montana

Respectfully, Nancy Goble