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Comments: I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed gold mining operation under Project 62590. This project, if allowed to proceed, will result in the destruction of our cherished local mountain bike trails and hinder the enjoyment of recreational activities in the area.

Our community values these trails not just for the enjoyment they provide to mountain bikers, but also for the overall positive impact they have on our quality of life. These spaces serve as an essential outdoor escape, promoting both physical activity and mental well-being. Additionally, they contribute to local tourism and the economic vitality of the area.

Moreover, this proposed operation raises significant environmental concerns. The potential for habitat destruction, water contamination, and long-term damage to our local ecosystems is substantial. We believe an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) should be carried out to thoroughly assess these potential impacts. The EIS would provide a comprehensive evaluation of the project's potential environmental effects, allowing us to make an informed decision based on empirical evidence.

We respectfully urge you to consider the value our community places on preserving these recreational spaces and the potential environmental risks associated with this project. We strongly believe that the long-term benefits of preserving our natural landscapes and recreational areas far outweigh the short-term economic gains promised by this mining operation.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.