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Comments: I am a resident of Patagonia and an active user of the Coronado National Forest in the Nogales Ranger district. I have numerous concerns about the mining projects that are going on in our area, specifically the Hermosa Project.

The destruction on the land on the surfaces and the impact of mining activity/vehicles in the "noticeable" impact that we are seeing on a daily basis. The bigger concern for many is the impact that the deep drilling, extraction of materials and waste of ground water will have on the natural order in this area and beyond.

While I understand the need for precious minerals in the production of batteries, etc. I think we could do this with less destruction to the environment and most likely the demise of one of the most biodiverse regions in the world.