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Comments: I have serious concerns about these mining projects that are presented by South 32 Mining and the existing project known as the Hermosa project in Patagonia. I am seeing a very careless and very ambitious group of people who want nothing more than to gain personal enrichment by destroying precious riparian areas in both Rio Rico and Patagonia. All they seem to see is the money that will be crossing their palms and not caring about the beautiful riparian areas that will be destroyed by chemicals and the decimation of the geographical topography of these lands by their digging and slag piles. These are criminal acts of destroying natural resources by way of financial gain for an absurd electrical vehicle push in this country executed by Joe Biden and Barack Obama. The past has proven these vehicles to be an embarrassing failure due to a lack of concern for the public interest in these impractical vehicles. They are limited in the distance they can go, limited charging stations, and most of all the non-performance in the wintertime. Do they think that the public is so stupid to pay the ridiculous price for this junk that can't meet the demands of the consumer? If this goes to fruition these projects will only further prove the incompetence of the people behind these projects facilitating another flop at the taxpayer's expense. If this happens the people behind this in the political positions of authority who could stop this mess will meet a defeat come voting time. South 32 will be held responsible for the irreparable damage caused by the lack of impact studies by the Environmental Protection Agency and will have a multitude of lawsuits for health violations property devaluation and the destruction of a very fragile environmental balance. They will be subjected to paying for people's healthcare due to the dangerous and caustic chemicals that will leach into the water tables. We will take the college money of the top dogs to cover our families' healthcare expenses. I bet they never considered that. Personal lawsuits will be filed for the personal damage that will be invoked by South 32 and Pat Risner's insensitivity to the public's health. This is a track record by South 32 and the people around the mines who contracted serious life-endangering diseases created by the negligence of this company in Africa and other countries that let them in. Remember once the damage is done, it is irreparable and will never be the same, the damage is horrible. Look at Ruby mine. This old mine out there on Ruby Road going to Nogales was halted a long time ago and to this day, it remains a ghost town that is good for nothing. The property hasn't ever been cleaned up and is in ruin to this very day. So if the Forestry Dept. doesn't see the light at the end of the tunnel for stopping these awful projects I think that the Dept. of Interior needs to be advised of the lack of concern and the seriousness of this endeavor and to get involved. So if the Forestry Dept. has a chance to stop this and doesn't we will go to the extent of going to higher levels until they will do something. I feel that people need to get their ducks in a row for their future lawsuits and prepare to fight this. We will cause South 32 to spend more money than they anticipate. So my final thought for South 32 is to pack up and go back to Australia, no love lost.