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Comments: The Santa Rita Mountain biome, both in Pima and Santa Cruz Counties, is an irreplaceable and diverse habitat for so many species, including threatened and endangered species. This Sky Island is also a huge attractor of people, and the dollars that they bring with them. This land, both private and public, needs to be protected at all cost. It is the last of the old west, and the American dream that comes with it.

The impact of this foreign owned project will be felt for generations. The growing concern of drought and water supply is only going to be exacerbated with the lowering of our water table by this project. I can't even fathom any consideration for the wasting of millions of gallons of precious water, let alone the pollution that will be added through wastewater.

What makes Santa Cruz County so special? Wide open spaces, a feeling of stepping back in time, the wildlife, and the beautiful scenery of our unscarred American West. To allow a foreign owned company to scar the land, lower the water table, pollute, etc. will have far reaching impacts on Americans that call this beautiful land home for generations.

This project should not be allowed. How it is even being considered by the agencies that have been put in place to protect our land and water is beyond me. Don't let this scar on our landscape be your legacy. Making money for foreign entities, while destroying our beautiful biome makes no sense at all.

**STOP THIS PROJECT**