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Comments: I am 17 years old, and have been living in this area all my life. I love the outdoors, and wouldn't want anything to negatively impact my home and local area.

In this vein, I would ask that these areas are researched before any decisions are made:

1. The impact on the local wildlife, including birds, insects, mammals, and fish in the surrounding area.
2. The impact on the plant life around the mine, the processing plants, the roads, and the surrounding areas.
3. The impact on water quality for the local area, including the aquifers and natural springs.
4. The impact on the general air quality in the area, with consideration of the additional trucks and other machines needed to operate this mine extension.
5. The future economic impacts that this mine may have once it is exhausted of its resources. How will the economy of the area be impacted once this mine is no longer functional.