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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

We are excited to share how our project aligns with national priorities and fosters local community development:

1. **\*\*Advancing Critical Mineral Supply Chain Security\*\***:

Our initiative plays a pivotal role in securing the supply chain for critical minerals, essential for the energy transition. By reducing dependence on foreign adversaries, including China, we strengthen our nation's energy independence and enhance national security. This effort ensures that the materials crucial for renewable energy technologies are sourced domestically, fostering innovation and resilience in our energy infrastructure.

2. **\*\*Positive Socioeconomic Impacts\*\***:

Our project brings significant socioeconomic benefits to the region, particularly in areas facing high unemployment, low wages, and limited economic opportunities. By creating numerous jobs, generating tax revenues, and supporting local schools, we are committed to uplifting the community. This project will provide stable, well-paying employment opportunities, stimulate local businesses, and contribute to the overall economic growth of the area.

We look forward to working with the Forest Service to advance these goals and make a meaningful impact both locally and nationally.

Sincerely,

Lane