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Comments: My name is Adams'Aon Lawrence and I grew up here in Santa Cruz County. I'm here to voice my concerns about the potential impacts of the proposal of South32 Hermosa Inc. mining operation in Patagonia AZ and the surrounding area. I ask that these concerns be taken into consideration in the NEPA EIS process.

My list of concerns are:

Ecological impact to the ecosystem and health of the biodiversity of life unique to this area.

Impact to wildlife, especially endangered species, who dwell, migrate and could inhabit this are in the near future. Please study the impact of the water displacement and how the removal of vital water will impact the health and even potentially cause death of living thigs in the proposed areas.

I'm concerned that disturbance to the earth from the surface or by subterranean means will expose toxic chemicals that could then impact humans, animals, and plant life.

I'm concerned that those who would like to use this land for recreational purposes or legal hunting will lose access to this area or find it no longer functional for these pursuits.