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Comments: My name is Lah-May Bremer. I have resided in Santa Cruz County for 17 years. I have lived near the Santa Cruz River and have been on the board of the Friends of the Santa Cruz River since I moved to this county. We live in a sensitive area. Changes in the environment can have immediate and lasting effects on all who live in this region and depend upon it for life-human, animal, trees, plants, fish, etc. There will be major changes in the area from development, water extraction, mineral extraction and processing, increased traffic etc.

1)We have seen devastating wildfires in the nation from exposed electrical wires. Will all proposed new power lines be buried underground?

2)There is much concern worldwide about the impact of 5G technology. Are there plans to use that? Has it been approved?

3)Will there be health indicators to monitor the health of human population, animal and bird populations, and riparian areas?

a. Will the levels of mined minerals be monitored in water, in the air, in humans, in animals, in birds, plants, fish, etc.?

b. Will the populations of wildlife be monitored for any significant decrease?

c. Will the habitats of critical species be identified and protected?

d. Will the health of plant life be monitored, including the survival rate of saplings?

4)With an increase of population, there will be increased pollution, including garbage being disposed of improperly (along the roads, in streams). Will there be regular trash clean-ups to help reduce pollution?