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Comments: My concerns regarding the mining in the Patagonia mountains are as follows:

1. The use of our water will deplete our aquifers and contaminate waters they use. It will contaminate the the environment thru water run off.
2. Long term contamination of the ground, plant life and water will greatly endanger all of the animal life (wild and domestic).
3. The natural beauty and recreational value of those irreplaceable mountains will be lost forever. Not just for the visible gifts but also access to the areas for recreational uses.
4. The loss of wildlife on the endangered species list will be a travesty
5. This mining company's history of cleaning up there contamination is on public record. There is no reason to believe it will be different here.

I am extremely opposed to this mining project. Any local and immediate benefits to our area will be far outweighed by the long term and in some cases permanent negative impacts of this project.