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Comments: How will the mine handle its transportation needs without impacting the surrounding communities?

With noise and air pollution, safety issues for children and adults on the road and otherwise will be of major concern. Are you going to have an emergency crew available to respond to any emergency when needed in the moment?

How will the mine manage the light pollution that will be created from the expansion and its continuous lighting needs for their new facilities? This extra traffic and lighting will cause the skies to be lit up even more like a city, and the surrounding communities including the Whipple Observatory will not be able to benefit from dark starry skies. Is there a plan to make the skies available to everyone undisturbed by bright lights from the mine operations?

Please require sacred native sites be located and protected when these new mine operations on Forest Service land are considered. Thank you.