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Comments: I strongly oppose the October Jinx project, which poses many dangers including:

1. Mining projects threaten to poison the water local residents all drink, while leaving them with a devastated landscape and economy;
2. 17 drill holes, each hole up to 500-700 feet deep into the aquifer to facilitate the harms;
3. Each hole is a potential conduit of other pollution to the watershed, forever (no known way to fix, cleanup while potentially worse than superfund sites);
4. 24-hour lights, noise, and dust, 5-7 days a week (destruction of quality of life for all humans and other living things in the area);
5. Loss of recreational, historical, and ceremonial lands that may not ever be capable for restoration if the companies depart and are 100 percent unsafe while project happens;
6. Clear-cutting of trees and vegetation at each of the 17 drill pads (increasing flood risks);
7. Toxic drilling mud pits are full of barium (not healthy for anything living);
8. Violation of Tribal treaty rights, religious freedom (violations of federal laws and our constitution); and
9. The people of the ʔe Sápa have made their opposition to mining projects in their backyard clear and their views must be fully considered with plan adjustments to remedy all their concerns, along with all the above with company telling you how all the above harms will be prevented and cleaned up, before any approvals or project start, with a new public comment period and formal tribal consultation.