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Subject: Water Quality Control Commission - public comment on proposed rule

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Dear Ms. Castaneda,

As you know, the state Water Quality Control Commission has recently begun public hearings (in Santa Fe) on proposed rules for copper-mining facilities.

I think that it's important to oppose the rule that has been proposed by the state Environment Department, because the department's rule ignored an advisory panel's recommendations - and that those recommendations were the result of a lengthy, open public process. Instead, the department adopted a series of recommendations more compatible with the interests of industry representatives - and more specifically with the interests of a single copper mining firm. I feel that what the Environment Department is proposing is a blatant violation of New Mexico's Water Quality Act, and that if the proposed rule is adopted, all New Mexicans' water will be at risk of pollution from industrial discharges, including those from Los Alamos National Laboratory.

Please add my comments to the public record related to these hearings.

Thank you,

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Vote in favor of NM Copper Rules. This is a good thing for NM!!! Environmental Groups have NO evidence scientific facts to back there information! These rules DON'T allow mining companies to pollute the groundwater! Follow what the REAL and EXPERIENCED Engineers and Scientists recommend and DON'T let Environmental Groups BULLY the state into passing regulations that are NONSENSE!!

These rules are FAIR not only to companies but ALSO the ENVIRONMENT!!!!!!