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I have concerns on just how a smelter industry will fit into an area surrounded by Class I Air Category. DoE must look at the entire smelting process and include ALL areas impacted by air degradation. This includes any area through which raw materials pass as well as the smelter facility itself. The impact of vehicle pollution, fugitive dust pollution, pollution from dust on roadways etc. It is the responsibility of DoE to research and provide data on this. Also, Kalispel Tribe of Indians has a Class I designation in process. All smelter research needs to be based on the assumption of Kalispel obtaining this designation. After all they have had an application sitting for over a year. Pac West has already adversely effected our area by slowing down the Kalispel Class I. How will ALL of this be mitigated?