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It's very important that we have strict limits on pollutants and that compliance by data centers and other entities that locate in the Valley to take advantage of low cost energy and other natural resource access (river water cooling, etc) is carefully monitored. Not only are Greater Wenatchee residents concerned about greenhouse gas pollution that creates our greater vulnerability to wildfire danger with rising temperatures, but also adding other sources of particulate matter to our Valley subject to inversions that create horrific AQI readings. These are real concerns for Public Health as documented by Dr. Nayak and others, especially for our most vulnerable populations who work outside or live in unprotected spaces in extreme heat and smoke.