

Alex Bearzi

My name is Alex Bearzi. I am a New Mexico resident for the last 39 years of my life. I am a UNM graduate, and a licensed electrician in the state. I have worked on data centers in New Mexico, at the Los Lunas facebook site, as well as other projects in other states. I feel compelled to voice my opposition to this data center in Dona Ana county moving forward. At every turn, we see more data that indicates the environmental harm being done by these projects. While most of the impact being assessed has been centered on the water consumption and its pollution thereof; these centers also drastically change the climate around them due to the heat generated. I have no doubt that in time we will learn that these data centers also irrevocably damage the air and climate they are in...long after they have been built and operated. One study of a Vantage Data center in Virginia shows preliminary data suggesting that the county has had to absorb an additional 50-90 million dollars in health care costs due to the impact of the data center in their community. I do not want to see New Mexico further damaged by the reckless consumption and greed of these tech firms who have no stake or interest in the communities they are looking to build in. Please, deny this application, and any others that facilitate the exploitation of our state and children's' futures for the short term profit of mega corporations.