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I am reaching out to ask that this project be denied. New Mexico is already a hot and dry state and the implementation of this data center will do irreparable damage to not only the areas directly surrounding the center, but to the state of New Mexico as a whole, and possibly even surrounding states. The usage of fresh water and the amount of energy it takes to run a data center is a complete waste of resources. Not only is it a waste, but also causes irreparable damage to the environment. There are case studies as well as reports of air, water, and noise pollution that affect the residents of the surrounding areas of data centers. Centers like these cause more harm to the environment than anything else, and there is quite literally no use for them. Approving a permit such as this one should be considered government sanctioned, environmental attack, that is fueled by racism and classism. Data centers are being purposely built in lower income areas across the United States. It is also a well known and well documented fact, that the vast majority of residents in a low income area are people of color. I ask that this complaint, as well as many others is heard, and that this permit is denied.

The public should be given an additional 60 days to review and comment on the air quality permit so community members can participate equitably.

The air quality permit application should be denied outright given Bloom Energy's history of illegal dumping hazardous waste. Approving this permit would be government-sponsored environmental racism directed at residents of Doña Ana County.

If the permit is not denied outright, a public hearing needs to be held in Santa Teresa, in both English and Spanish, with an option to participate virtually.