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Oppose the permits for Project Jupiter. The damage to the environment and the people of New Mexico will cost far more and clean up would last for decades.

Nearly 50,000 Lake Tahoe residents currently face severe electricity supply uncertainty after utility provider NV Energy announced it will stop servicing local California distributor Liberty Utilities by May 2027. The utility is redirecting generation capacity to support the massive boom of AI data centers expanding across Northern California.

Please read the article about what Californian's are currently experiencing as a result of having a data center.

<https://fortune.com/2026/05/12/lake-tahoe-data-center-49000-residents-power-source/>

Data centers need a constant and reliable power supply. Many facilities rely on gas-fired generation for routine operations alongside diesel generators for emergency backup. Both come with climate and health risks.

Diesel-fueled backup generators also release harmful air pollutants, including fine particulate matter (PM2.5) and nitrogen oxides (NOx), linked to respiratory disease, heart disease, asthma and other serious health risks.

One analysis in Virginia estimated that even limited backup generator use could already be associated with nearly \$300 million in annual public health costs and 14,000 asthma-related health impacts across multiple states.

Data center construction, rooftop cooling systems and backup generators can be disruptively noisy. Smaller diesel generators reportedly reach 85 decibels, levels that can harm hearing. Larger industrial units can approach 100 decibels — equivalent to a motorcycle or jackhammer.

This noise can last for hours or days at a time. Residents in Loudon County, Virginia, reported disruptions in sleep, headaches and even lower quality of life because of a nearby data center, experiences that were echoed during a recent congressional roundtable.

<https://www.wri.org/insights/us-data-center-growth-impacts>