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I am nowhere near Project Jupiter, however I am very concerned by how much this will affect the locals and its contribution to global warming. From lacking local water supply, to noise pollution, to worsening of air quality, and to releasing emissions that cause the world to be warmer every single year. This project needs to be stop as it's not necessary and only destroying the planet even more. We are losing our natural sources to AI when there's real people who are able to think, be thirsty, feel the effects of the data centres that damage the environment, etc. We do not need more AI data centres, we need to plant more trees. Once the climate clock runs out and it's so much harder to reverse the damage done from human activity, you (the organisers of building data centres and every other greedy company that carelessly pollutes the planet) only have yourself to blame. Please consider this argument and stop this project before we do irreversible damage to earth. The public should be given at least 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 as Bloom Energy has a history of illegally dumping hazardous wastes. If the permit is not denied, a public hearing needs to be held in Santa Teresa, in both English and Spanish, with an option to participate virtually. Approving this permit would be government-sponsored environmental racism as residents of Doña Ana County are already disproportionately impacted by environmental pollution. For years, Doña Ana County has been called a 'nonattainment' zone which means their air quality does not meet federal government rules. A change needs to happen now.