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These technologies will further degrade the quality of life in our region, which is already suffering mounting drought conditions since the Rio Grande was choked off causing the demise of our thriving ecosystem, our canopy of ancient cottonwoods and our agricultural lands. Urbanization has increased the paving of open spaces and water use. Our climate has changed, turning our verdant river valleys into a dusty desert. The joy of growing up close to an enormous river and among the lush natural life that it supports is but a memory for octogenarians like myself; that joy was denied to our children and grandchildren. Irrigation water has become so scarce that pecan groves and fruit trees are no longer sustainable. Dry, dusty conditions are creating unhealthy air quality and spiking respiratory illnesses, especially in our young children and elderly. In addition, the City of El Paso, Texas has drilled deep wells around the county for water utilities, causing water tables to drop farther below the earth. Everywhere, trees are dead and dying. Technologies that require enormous amounts of water, and that emit impurities into the atmosphere have no place in our region. Our earth is scorched enough. The public should have 60 days more to comment on the air quality permit and to participate equitably.