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I am NOT one of the fake people who is putting in a cut-and-paste comment in support of the data center proposed for Southern New Mexico. I am a lifelong New Mexican who has serious concerns about water usage and domination of electrical grids from data centers. We are already facing a serious water crisis in New Mexico. Elephant Butte reservoir is at 10% of capacity, and the Rio Grande is dry through Albuquerque and points south. The proposed mega-data-center will suck up more of our water resources that we need to support people, animals and agriculture in our state. We should not allow careless, non-local megacorporations like Oracle and OpenAI to pollute our environment and steal our water to support their nefarious business practices. It's clear from the multiple repeat comments, all of which say the exact same thing, that the corporations asking to build this facility are engaging in astroturfing and making it look as though residents are supportive. Most residents I have talked to are strongly opposed to this data center and we will continue to fight this development. Please do not approve the data center's construction. Thank you.