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They are ruining counties, families, states. A data center went up overnight in Knoxville without anyone ever knowing, not even the government. If you are in office right now, working as a government worker, stop standing around and take action because you have the voice we don't. Nobody should want this, even if you're money hungry. You see these people at this time in this country are struggling to even make ends meet! Living paycheck to paycheck having to make the choice between feeding their kids or paying the electric bills. These data centers are targeting poor and low income areas to build on. Do we ever think about the impact that those data centers make on the communities? These data centers leave these communities with 24hr artificial light flooding across the skies making it harder for people to sleep, I've seen people's water come out of their faucets brown, pink, and other gross colors that should never be going into homes. Multiple communities have voiced their concerns on this matter and are enraged to say the least. So many people move to America for the American dream. This is not a dream, it's a nightmare that is coming alive more and more by the second. We should not allow investors that are in China to come in and create these extremely harmful data centers when they aren't even citizens of America. Isn't that funny? I thought that you had to be an American citizen to own land. But I guess it doesn't count for all of those illegal immigrants that come to America trying to build a suitable life for their families and get their papers because they never got that chance back in their country. Instead of helping them, we just throw them out like they're pests. It is so hard to get into the system and become a citizen. I know someone who has been trying for 6 years and still hasn't gotten in. But we allow these foreign investors to do this to our beautiful land. Project Jupiter, if taken into action, will be extremely harmful to the environment, releasing over 10 million tons of carbon dioxide annually, which can be harmful to humans because we breathe in oxygen that plants release, not carbon dioxide. Do you really think plants can keep up with these huge data centers? I always had the funny thought when I was younger, what if we run out of oxygen? Thinking it would never come true, but I'm 15 now and it seems as my life may be ending before it starts. This isn't all this data center is doing. The Rio Grande is drying up before summer has even started. Do we really think that this is okay? Right now, think about how you feel about this. There are so many negatives compared to the little little positives. Humanity was fine before AI, before the internet. We never needed any of this. AI, even though it's been around for such a small amount of time, has become extremely harmful to adults, and growing children. We are losing our critical thinking skills rapidly. I look at students around me in class, because they're always on their phone, they're struggling to complete simple questions and problems in class. Do we really need this expansion of AI that is doing more harm than good just because the government's eyes turn green at the thought of money? Look past your greed now, see how horrible this would be, open your eyes. We don't need AI generated videos or anything of the sorts when we have perfectly good man made videos. We don't need an AI overview every time we go to search something up. There are plenty of resources that we can look into for information. These data centers are so extremely unnecessary and that's why I fight, when I'm enraged every time I hear about a new data center, why I sign petitions and write comments. I fight because this is wrong to do to the people of America, treating the citizens worse than the illegals! This should be stopped, now. Through this, I have a voice. I will not let another data center go up. America is counting on you. Make the right choice.