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Please reject Yucca Growth Infrastructure's air quality permit request for their new fuel cell grid proposal. The proposal goes directly against NMED's responsibility to protect natural resources for current and future generations by allowing this company to emit more greenhouse gases than New Mexico's three biggest cities combined. As a local landscaper and farmer I am aware of the way climate change is already making it twice as difficult to grow food here relative to how it used to be. We are experiencing new pests, new diseases, deadly heat and drought, and unlivable working conditions. More greenhouse gas emissions is the last thing we need, and will disproportionately affect the air quality in local hispanic communities of Southern New Mexico who always bear the brunt of negligent pollution. Not to mention the water use and enormous amounts of toxic waste that this project will generate. Caring for New Mexico's land and communities means denying this permit.