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It would be incredibly irresponsible and reckless to approve the permits for Project Jupiter. This project will cause irreparable harm for generations to come, for the inhabitants of this land, the plans, the water and the land itself. For such a gargantuan development, there must be an airtight imperative to build it. No such imperative exists for massive AI data centers in the desert,, and everyone watching knows it.

Even accounting for emissions reductions compared to the original plans, this project would still emit a horrific amount of pollutants and emissions,, presenting irreparable harm to both human and nonhuman inhabitants of this land. This technology at this scale is unproven. The developing company in question, Bloom Energy, has a history of illegal or improper dumping and transport of materials, which is especially concerning given the toxic chemicals at play here. The emissions, methane gas use, and chemical waste generated by this plant are toxic to all life forms. Cancer causing chemicals like benzene could be leached into the environment. Such reckless and unnecessary developments as this are responsible in part for innumerable cases of cancer in America. Is that what you want for your constituents? Besides being deeply unnecessary, this project is yet another case of environmental racism, as the majority of nearby residents are people of color who are already disproportionately impacted by environmental pollution.

Who is this project for? And who do you serve?

The air permit should be denied. If it is not denied, a hearing should be held in Santa Teresa, in both English and Spanish, with the opportunity to participate virtually. At minimum, the public should be given an additional 60 days to comment on the permit so all can participate in the review of this momentous — and potentially catastrophic — decision.