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The future is under threat with this proposed air quality permit. 10 million tons of carbon dioxide pollution into the environment is going to dry up the water that sustains our communities and at the end of the day, that is environmental racism. The residents of this city are breathing some of the most compromised air in the country, and now you expect it to get worse, and for us to stand by. It is unacceptable to invite a new source of hyperscale air pollution into our communities. The carbon dioxide pollution alone will heat our atmosphere at a much faster pace and promote the formation of even more ground-level ozone. I am enrolled in college classes as a high school where I learned about these air pollutants that pose extreme risks at low levels. How can go to school knowing that this is the environment i will live in, which will inevitably ruin my future? My education will mean nothing with permanent brain damage or breathing complications that will stop my life before I can truly start it.