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Las Cruces and Doña Ana county still have adequate to good air quality excepting during dust storms. This important factor in quality of life is threatened by Project Jupiter, a project that has failed to submit environmental and jobs reports on time. This project, which never should have been approved, needs to be rolled back and at a minimum held to strict environmental standards.

The public should be given an additional 60 days to review and comment on the air quality permit so community members can participate equitably.

The air quality permit application should be denied given Bloom Energy's history of illegal dumping hazardous waste.

If the permit is not denied, a public hearing needs to be held in Santa Teresa, in both English and Spanish, with an option to participate virtually.

Approving this permit would be government-sponsored environmental racism as residents of Doña Ana County are already disproportionately impacted by severe air pollution.