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I am writing to express my opposition for Project Jupiter, which I believe offers significant harm for our community. Our energy and water resources will be impacted and our roads and other infrastructure as well. Our police and emergency services will be impacted as well.

Project Jupiter is poised to bring substantial economic growth and all its problems to Dona Ana County. It is anticipated to create 4,000 temporary construction jobs and 1,500 project-supported temporary and/or outside jobs. Furthermore, Project Jupiter has committed \$50 million to help repair, upgrade, and improve local water systems; \$360 million in direct support for schools, infrastructure, and local services; and \$6.9 million to fund workforce development initiatives along with supporting the Boys and Girls Club of Las Cruces, clean drinking water, the local community college, and habitat restoration. And why would they do all this if it was not going to be harmful to our county and homes and mostly rural way of life??

I urge the New Mexico Environment Department to not approve this energy and water hog unnecessary project.

Sincerely,
Gregory M. Hughes