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I urge you to deny this permit. Project Jupiter, even after this revamped proposal, is slated to release more greenhouse gas per year than all our major cities combined. Doubling our state's GHGs in a time of widespread drought, unprecedented fires, and devastating heatwaves is unconscionable. The connection between CO2 emissions and climate change is crystal clear and undeniably within the purview of this department. Its personal for me. As a small-scale farmer I am watching crops struggle to survive. My pasture is drying up. I can't afford to keep my livestock fed and will probably have to sell them at a loss. Just working in the heat feels dangerous some days. And ONE project is going to be allowed to double our air pollution? For what? So a few billionaires can get richer? Bloom Energy seems incapable of completing this project on time - or at all - given that, according to a report by the reputable energy industry journal Rystad Energy, this project will require almost the entire global supply of the rare mineral, scandium. This project violates the administrative code and any reasonable interpretation of air quality and public health rules. Now it is clear their PR firms are falsely submitting comments claiming to be from our own city councilors in support of this project. Maybe ethical grounds are beyond the purview of this department...but should they be? There's too much at stake here. Deny this permit.