

## Noel Fray

I understand that outh32 seeks to develop a new underground mine known as the Hermosa project. If groundwater pumping is permitted 6 million gallons per day would be dumped into Harshaw Creek and 172,000 gallons per day into Alum Creek. The consistent addition of such huge volumes of water would bury springs and irrevocably change the landscape. This groundwater pumping could also cause flooding in the town of Patagonia threatening homes and businesses. Please do not allow this permit to be approved.