

Jesus Cruz

As a resident of Rio Rico I am very concerned with the possibility that our ground water could become contaminated. I have a responsibility to our family and future generations to make sure that our groundwater is not contaminated. I am requesting that ADEQ completes all required testing of our groundwater before issuing any permits for the South32 mine. We live in a fragile environment in Santa Cruz County that can become more economically depressed if our groundwater is contaminated. The life and health of our residents is most important to maintain our potential for economic prosperity. We are located at a critical point in Arizona that impacts the state economy. We are major port in Arizona for imports and exports to Mexico. If groundwater is contaminated it could eventually cause harm to our economy. ADEQ has a responsibility to ensure that proper testing is done and also to keep monitoring and testing the groundwater in Santa Cruz County specifically the areas where south 32 mine will discharge to our water supply.