

# Dave Neff

Dear ADEQ,

I am writing you to express concern about South32's Hermosa permit (#AZ0026387) and the effect the discharge of mine water into Harshaw and Alum creeks could have on the surrounding area. Arizona's history is rife with mismanaging water, whether that be too much or too little, eroding healthy ecosystems. The area of the Patagonia Mountains this project takes place is cherished by many and it would be a great public disservice to allow this precious ecosystem to be slowly deteriorated by mining. Please consider rejecting this project on the grounds of public good and a healthy, robust ecosystem.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dave