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The Copper World Operations; Aquifer Protection Permit No. 513690, LTF 90620 has not fully completed their due diligence in obtaining environmental impact studies, provided ways in how to minimize pollution, nor how to protect the surrounding habits and natural resources from harm from the proposed mining operation plans. The permit does not provide provisions for requiring a large enough and lined ponding area to protect precious underground water sources from tainted tailings and waste contamination, in addition the permit does not describe how and where the waste will be disposed. The permit does not sufficiently describe mining operations oversight by a non-biased third-party entity with intimate knowledge of mining operations and environmental laws.

Self-oversight is not sufficient to guarantee surrounding environmental protection. The permit also does not describe in detail how much of AZ water resource is needed daily, if any of that water can be reclaimed safely, and if so, how. Finally, the expiration of the permit is not clearly stated and conflicts with previous plans.