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As a Tucson physician, I am very concerned about the numerous known adverse public health effects of air pollution, particularly PM-2.5 pollutants and other pollutants related to fossil fuels combustion. These pollutants are of greatest concern for the communities in closest proximity to the proposed Copper World mine site.

I urge you to reject the proposed air pollution permit for the Copper World mine. As it's currently drafted, the proposed permit does little to ensure the mine protects our air or environment. At a minimum you must require the Copper World mine to obtain a Class I permit. A Class I permit is necessary so that the mine is always accountable for limiting its air pollution and protecting the environment — absolutely no exceptions.