

Joy Shipman

I and, my husband, Fred, are residents of Corona de Tucson since 2012. We are seriously concerned with the ADEQ permitting the Air Quality Permitting with Copper World mining corporation. The mine will create mounds of tailing dust hundreds of feet high too close to homes and schools nearby. Studies have shown these tailings contain toxics of lead and arsenic. These toxins can blow dust 20 to 30 miles in landscapes like ours. We have a saying here about the "Vail Gails" that the frequent winds blow very strongly coming off the Santa Rita Mountains. Our neighborhood would be greatly impacted by this mine. My husband, Fred, is an 100% disabled veteran with severe breathing problems that require oxygen daily. Why aren't his needs considered first rather than a foreign mining interests? He fought for his country during the Vietnam war and was injured. He deserves to be to be protected and the ADEQ should consider Americans health first rather than a foreign country. I have been to all the meetings and am very concerned about the possibility of the mine being granted this permit. Our community deserves to be respected in this decision by the ADEQ. Copper World is asking for a less rigorous Class II Air Quality permit. I and my husband oppose granting any permit to Copper World. Our families here in Vail, Corona de Tucson, and Green Valley deserve clean air quality and protection. Please do not grant this permit and help us maintain our health and quality of life. Sincerely, Joy and Fred Shipman

+