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Santa Rita Areas is a renowned hotspot for bird enthusiasts. With its diverse range of bird species and the accessibility of many Trail, it's an ideal hiking and diverse animal habitat. In any other state it would be a national park not to be sold to a foreign corp which would destroy this. The proposed massive copper mine and sulfuric acid plant, on both sides of the Santa Rita Mountains, present a potential threat to the natural environment. This industrial expansion into the Green Valley/Sahuarita area could disrupt the delicate ecological balance, raising serious concerns for those who value the preservation of nature. Copper World would produce air contaminants, including coarse and fine dust, as well as nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, sulfuric acid mist, and "hazardous air pollutants, all near a school and many housing developments.