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There has been a powerful groundswell of opposition to the ADI aluminum "smelter" set for development in Benson, Arizona. In over forty years of living in Benson, I have never seen the community come together with so much research and energy.

Our air and water are precious. Willcox has taught us much about what happens when the aquifers go dry. ADI is not telling the entire truth about their water treatment system, where the water will go, and to what degree they will "guarantee" purity. Moving water from the plant to the golf course or to any pond or evaporation system simply relocates pollution. This pollution will fall on our water supply, our earth, our air, our bodies.

Benson, unfortunately, has a long history of inside deals being cut without exposure and processes to include community input. ADI is such an example.

We do not want this plant in our city. We do not believe they will be good stewards of our land.

Respectfully,

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