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I am a resident of Benson Arizona with property along the San Pedro River. I strongly oppose the development of the Aluminum Dynamics Project. I completely disagree with the statement that there is any bit of sustainability involved with this project. The actual process of breaking down heavy metals will not only introduce an unsustainable number of hazardous particulates into an immediate local delicate ecology that is the San Pedro River Riparian Corridor. Negatively impacting one of the most important Global migratory paths.

The negative impacts on the delicate local Flora will suffer immense hardships and large unnatural die-off from the near continuous expulsion of hazardous particulates such as NO_x, SO₂, CO₂, PM₁₀. Not only can these particulates retard the flora's natural ability to produce photosynthesis and cripple the natural plant life, but these particulates will end up in the local soil causing soil toxicity.

The expelled airborne particulates are all leading contributors to acid rain. The San Pedro Valley would be adversely affected by acid rain. This would extract additional toxins in our soils harming crops, flora, and fauna.

The San Pedro Valley additionally demonstrates climates/conditions of Thermal Inversions. Thermal Inversions trap pockets of cold air near the ground's surface. These cold air pockets will trap additional hazardous particulates expelled from the plant. Thus, exacerbating unbalanced toxification on soil and low-level air quality.

These are just a few of the negative impacts on the local region of the San Pedro River Valley near and around Benson Arizona. Additional harm/negative effect would be felt throughout Southern Arizona with these particulates having the ability to travel hundreds of miles.

In conclusion our ecosystem is not built for this toxic facility, and it needs never happen. These negative impacts will cripple industries that draw people/revenue to this area of Arizona. Our local farmers, eco-tourism, scenic highways will all be negatively disrupted by toxicity of the air quality.

Furthermore, the ridiculous amounts of water that would be used shouldn't even come close to being expectable. It's rather embarrassing to see how far this has come with consideration that just the water use should have eliminated the very thought of this project.

Please make this right for Benson, for Arizona, for our future generations and eliminate this project from happening.

Thank you for doing the right thing.
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