

GOLDEN QUEEN MINING COMPANY, INC.

SOLEDAD MOUNTAIN PROJECT
MOJAVE, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

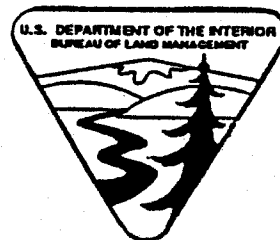
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RIDGECREST, CALIFORNIA

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
PUBLIC MEETING

IN RE
THE GOLDEN QUEEN MINING)
SOLEDAD MOUNTAIN PROJECT)
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LOCATION: ROSAMOND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
1981 ROSAMOND BOULEVARD
ROSAMOND, CALIFORNIA

DATE AND TIME: TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 1997
7:00 P.M.

REPORTER: TIMOTHY SCOTT
CSR NO. 8517

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REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT of the PROCEEDINGS,
taken in re the above matter, on Tuesday, June 24,
1997, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at Rosamond Elementary
School, 1981 Rosamond Boulevard, Rosamond,
California, before Timothy Scott, a Certified
Shorthand Reporter, holding Certificate No. 8517.

SPEAKERS FROM BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT:

MR. AHMED MOSHEN
MR. GEORGE DEVERSE

SPEAKERS FROM AUDIENCE:

MONNA WAGNER
JOHN ROMBOUT
PATRICK CHIDO
KAREN BENSON
JAMES HOOPER
BARBARA RIGG
PAT BOETSCH
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LEONARD GRIMES
JEFF ALFONSO

1 TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 1997

2 ROSAMOND, CALIFORNIA

3 7:00 P.M.

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6 MR. MOHSEN: Okay. May I have your
7 attention, please.

8 We're going to probably begin right now.

9 It seems like we have most of the public
10 that has signed up front, and we're going to
11 initiate.

12 So at this stage, I'll direct my
13 comments to the court reporter, and we'll initiate
14 this public meeting.

15 This is a Bureau of Land Management,
16 Department of the Interior, public meeting regarding
17 the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Draft Impact
18 Report for this Soledad Mountain gold project.

19 We have a court reporter today recording
20 the proceedings of this meeting so we can make it
21 part of the public record. That's why I'm going to
22 be speaking a little slower. I'm sure that the
23 children in the room will appreciate that.

24 The reason is, you want to make sure all
25 the comments and concerns are documented by the court

1 reporter. And the purpose of that is to make sure
2 that the issues that you have are part of the public
3 record.

4 When I close the meeting, that will
5 become the public record. Everything after the
6 meeting, we can still discuss things, but it will not
7 be part of the public record unless you resubmit it
8 formally through writing.

9 I want to let you know the way we run
10 the meeting today is we have opened it up for
11 discussions and your concerns and comments, and when
12 the meeting is closed, we'll still be available at
13 your discretion to discuss any issues that you may
14 have regarding the project.

15 First, I want to introduce the people
16 involved in this meeting today. We have
17 representatives from Bureau of Land Management from
18 the Ridgecrest office, and we also have
19 representatives from the proponent of the project,
20 the gold mining company, and we also the have the
21 environmental contractors who have assisted the
22 Bureau and Kern County in preparing the document.

23 Kern County has a representative here
24 today taking notes and making sure that any issues
25 and concerns that you folks have are also part and

1 shared with Kern County records.

2 The BLM is leading this meeting
3 regarding the compliance with the National
4 Environmental Policy Act, which is known as the NEPA.

5 NEPA requires the government to make
6 decisions in an open process, making sure we hear
7 your concerns and making sure these concerns are
8 addressed in the document we have prepared.

9 If you recall, back in April of 1996, we
10 also came here to Rosamond and opened up our public
11 scoping process, which is the first part of the
12 beginning to prepare the necessary permits for this
13 operation.

14 What we've done back in April of '96 is,
15 before we began to do anything at all, we asked you
16 what are some of the issues and concerns that you
17 have regarding this proposed project, and we
18 emphasized "proposed."

19 At the beginning of the process, it's
20 important to make sure that all the issues and
21 concerns that you folks have are addressed in our
22 document within the constraints allowed by law, which
23 is very important, also.

24 We are a country governed by laws, which
25 means the existing laws that we have will pretty much

1 lay the sideboards for what we can and cannot do.

2 So back in April of 1996, we asked you
3 what are the issues and concerns. We documented many
4 comments, and we have made sure that your comments
5 and concerns are part of the record.

6 We have published this information on
7 the worldwide web, and we made sure that access to
8 the issues was available to everyone, either through
9 libraries or through newspapers or through that
10 computer worldwide web internet access.

11 We felt that was important to make sure
12 that we let you know the progress of the project
13 because the project is very dynamic. We wanted to
14 make sure that any provisions of the project, you are
15 well aware, and any mitigations or any conditions
16 that we can attach to the permit will be well thought
17 of and well prepared for by the process, so we become
18 defensible and also become fair and equitable.

19 So as we promised, we're back again in
20 Rosamond to open up the public meeting again to
21 discuss the issues in the EIS, address the EIS/EIR we
22 have prepared.

23 The document has been available since
24 June 2nd, and if you have been part of our mailing
25 list, you have either have received notification of

1 its availability, or you have gotten the document
2 yourself.

3 We are going to hold two meetings, one
4 tonight in Rosamond, tomorrow in Mojave, to make sure
5 the local community has ample opportunity to
6 participate in the process.

7 Let me explain a little bit about the
8 project before we ask you for some of your comments.

9 The project is roughly 20 percent on
10 public lands, 80 percent on private lands. So a
11 fifth of the project is on public property managed by
12 the BLM on your behalf. The other 80 percent of the
13 project is on private land, managed by your county
14 and your state.

15 We have worked very closely with the
16 county and the state to make sure that the federal
17 and the state and the county process goes
18 hand-in-hand and does not reiterate and repeat
19 itself.

20 We made sure that all of the parties
21 were involved that were going to issue a permit to
22 the operation, are involved up front, so there
23 wouldn't be any future permits required that were not
24 foreseen by the agencies up front.

25 So, Kern County and BLM are really the

1 lead agencies who are required to coordinate with all
2 the other agencies that will issue permits for this
3 project. This project will have multiple permits
4 before it commences.

5 BLM and Kern County issue certain sets
6 of permits; other agencies do that also, but BLM and
7 Kern County are the lead government agencies in
8 making sure your concerns and comments are addressed
9 in the document and are communicated to the other
10 agencies in the state and local governments.

11 So what we have done in the last year or
12 so, is prepared what we believe is a defensible
13 document that addressed the needs of the public and
14 agencies regarding this project. We have done
15 environmental surveys on the grounds, have conducted
16 inventories of sensitive resources, have identified
17 these resources and have mitigated -- developed a
18 mitigation plan for avoiding or minimizing the
19 impacts to these resources.

20 We understand that there are concerns
21 from the community. We believe these concerns have
22 been addressed in this document. And we want you to
23 make sure that you've let us know if your concerns
24 are not addressed. If they are addressed, let us
25 know; if they are not addressed, let us know, also.

1 We'll make sure that we point you in the right
2 direction in the document where we believe the issues
3 have been addressed. We have documented your
4 concerns back in 1996 as far as the issues and
5 concerns.

6 So, before I open it up to you, I also
7 want to give you a little bit of ground rules about
8 how we're going to conduct the comments tonight.

9 I'm going to be asking you to come up
10 and state your name and speak slowly so the court
11 reporter can document your thoughts. And spell your
12 last name for him, and then I'll give you three
13 minutes to say your thoughts to the record. And then
14 I'll give you a minute warning after that, and I'll
15 ask you to allow someone else to make a comment.

16 I will go through everyone, and there's
17 still opportunity for more discussions. I'll be glad
18 to have you guys come up again for a second round.
19 But I would like to hear from everyone first; so I
20 would like you to keep it at three minutes. That's
21 the first ground rule, three minutes, and then I'll
22 give you an extra minute to wrap up.

23 The second ground rule is, I would like
24 it to be a civil discussion. We're all a
25 neighborhood, and we're all part of this great

1 country. And it's very important that we address
2 each other with politeness and respect, no matter
3 where our issues are or wherever you stand.

4 It makes for a great country that we
5 have the diversity and we have the freedom of speech
6 to discuss these issues. Let's not forget that we
7 are neighbors and we have families and we do have
8 lives, and we want to make sure that we go back to
9 them the same way we came in.

10 The third ground rule is, I would like
11 you to know that this is not a public-opinion polling
12 process. There is not a meter-reading of how many
13 people are for or how many people are against a
14 specific project. That's not the way the BLM
15 conducts its business.

16 We try as hard as possible to look at
17 our existing laws and regulations and get your
18 concerns and issues addressed in there. And we will
19 forward your comments to our management and to the
20 folks who will make the decision. But you have to be
21 aware that this is part of a long-term land-use
22 planning process, which started with the California
23 Desert Conservation Area Plan, if you all recall
24 that; if you haven't, I'll spend a few minutes on it.
25 I think it's very important that you all be aware of

1 it.

2 You all have houses in the area and you
3 all know zoning laws, what you can and cannot do on
4 your property, whether you can animals or whether you
5 can have a wind turbine or whether you can have a
6 solar panel.

7 BLM does it the same way, no difference,
8 really, except on a larger scale. We can say this
9 area is zoned for animals or it is zoned for plants,
10 it is zoned for recreation or it is zoned for mining
11 and development, or it is zoned for other uses. It's
12 a process that we took twenty-five years to complete.
13 We started in the early '60s and finished in 1979.

14 After extensive public comment, I think
15 40,000 comments were received by the BLM during that
16 process, \$12 million was spent in 1979 completing
17 this plan.

18 And what it basically does is, it zones
19 the desert based on its uses. If I may, I will go up
20 to this map and explain to you a little more what
21 that means, because I want to make sure when you are
22 providing us your comments, to keep that in mind.

23 The BLM basically zoned the desert into
24 four major areas. And it's twenty-five million acres
25 of public and private, but only twelve million acres

1 is public lands, which is really the color pattern
2 you see here.

3 The zoning that we've basically done is,
4 say, that some lands used should be zoned for no
5 development, and then some other lands be zoned for
6 extensive use, which is really the scale here. The
7 green means no development, which is our wilderness
8 areas, our areas that are off limits to road and
9 vehicle access, the pristine things that we
10 designated, and there are millions of acres of it all
11 over the desert.

12 The yellow areas are what we refer to as
13 Class L, which is a limited access, and there are
14 some roads there, but we're not going to allow any
15 new roads in the areas. It's a zoning concept,
16 again, that says no new roads except the existing
17 ones.

18 As you go down the list, obviously, it
19 gets less and less restrictive and more and more
20 permissive as far as access. So Class M means
21 moderate use, means that we will allow some access,
22 some roads and some development. And Class I is
23 intensive use, by definition means we allow a lot of
24 activities there, off-road racing, developments like
25 wind turbines.

1 By definition, intensive use means the
2 resource values are low; so we can allow a lot more
3 things to happen.

4 As we zone this area, the Soledad
5 Mountain fell in an area that had low-resource values
6 as far as habitat, and had existing mining
7 operations; so the area that it was zoned for did not
8 conform to the limited and the environmental
9 conservation zones.

10 So the zone was unclassified, which,
11 again, gives it the management restriction that we
12 can allow activities to happen there. And it's very
13 important because once we zoned it that way, we
14 allowed mining claims, we allowed investment in the
15 area, and now we are trying to make sure that the
16 operation can -- that it's consistent with the way we
17 zoned the land for years, can be permitted in a sound
18 environmental manner.

19 So, with that, I want you to make sure
20 your comments are focused on how can we make sure
21 that we can mitigate the impacts. Because the area
22 has been historically zoned for mining, and it's
23 going to probably continue in the future as part of
24 the land use, county zoning and federal zoning, to be
25 zoned for development.

1 With that, I will close my spiel and try
2 to now open it up for you folks.

3 As I said, I'll remind you again, please
4 come in and stand here and give us your name.

5 If you don't want to have to stand here
6 and give us your name, it's going to be hard for us
7 to document your public comments on the record.
8 Because the court reporter, again, has to be a part
9 of it.

10 Again, once the meeting is over, you can
11 approach any one of us. We will be hanging out here
12 for a few more minutes, if needed, and we'll be able
13 to answer any questions you might have without having
14 to state your name first, and go through all these
15 formalities. Okay?

16 So are we ready to go?

17 I'll open it up, and anyone who's
18 willing to come up, just raise your hand, and I'll
19 pick you out from the crowd, and ask you to come up.

20 Ma'am, please state your name for the
21 court reporter.

22 Thank you.

23 MS. WAGNER: My name is Monna Wagner.

24 The spelling on my name is M-o-n-n-a, W-a-g-n-e-r.

25 I am here at the invitation of

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1 Mr. Wyman to read into the record Senator William J.
2 Pete Knight's support of the Golden Queen Mining
3 Company, Soledad Mountain Mining Project.

4 The senator directed duplicative
5 originals to Supervisor Steve Perez and the Kern
6 County Planning Department, and that's what I will be
7 reading into the record this evening with -- I have
8 several copies also available for BLM and for anyone
9 else who would be interested in a copy.

10 And it is directed to -- well, to
11 Supervisor Perez and to Mr. Barnhill from the
12 Planning Department.

13 "Please find this letter as an
14 endorsement of the proposed Golden Queen Mining
15 Company, Soledad Mountain Mining Project."

16 It's kind of a tongue twister.

17 "This project is vital to the economic
18 future of Kern County. It's anticipated that this
19 project will provide nearly 500 jobs over the
20 duration of operation. Jobs will vary from labor and
21 semi-skilled to clerical and supervisory. With the
22 mine conservatively projected to produce twelve to
23 sixteen years, Golden Queen Mining employees will
24 contribute to the economic base of Kern County well
25 into the next century.

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"The company has also taken many necessary steps to ensure they meet all the environmental standards mandated by the State of California and the Federal Government.

"Issues have not impacted any threatened or endangered species, and meeting strict water and air quality standards have been addressed.

"Considering the economic benefit and the minimal environmental impact Golden Queen Mining would bring to Kern County, I urge the Board of Supervisors to enthusiastically approve this project.

"Warmest regards, William J. Pete Knight, California State Senator, Seventeenth Senatorial District."

Thank you.

MR. MOHSEN: Anybody else who wants it make a comment?

Sir.

MR. ROMBOUT: I would like to introduce myself. My name is John Rombout, I'm the mayor of the City of Tehachapi. We have a similar resolution that we passed at our city council meeting. I won't bore you with what it says, the "whereases" and "therefores."

I would like to urge us to support this

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1 project. East Kern County and East Kern Alliance,
2 we're struggling in this area to provide jobs. We
3 need the economic benefit that this kind of
4 development can bring to our whole area.

5 As many of you know, we're sort of
6 considered the poor stepsisters of West Kern County,
7 and we sort of have to support ourselves out here.

8 And I think it's very important for us
9 to think that -- you know, we know that Ridgecrest is
10 having a hard time, the military bases are having a
11 considerable downsizing. And I think it's important
12 that we support projects which can make us
13 economically viable. And I would like to encourage
14 everybody to support the project.

15 We in Tehachapi, we feel that we will
16 benefit from this from people that work there, can
17 live in our community, shop in our community, and I
18 think that it will help our area.

19 Thank you.

20 MR. MOHSEN: Sir.

21 MR CHIODO: People, my name is Patrick
22 Chiodo, C-h-i-o-d-o, for the record. I'm a
23 professional safety engineer. I've been conducting
24 an investigation in the desert area over by the
25 Cactus Queen.

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1 For the record, I was the individual
2 that set off of the first explosive charge at Cactus
3 Queen. I pulled the first explosives permit. And I
4 worked there for three months until I got tired of
5 them throwing dust in the air and mercury in the air.

6 Now, my investigation has come up with a
7 lot of mercury contamination out there, and it's not
8 mercury itself. All the government agencies go out
9 there and test for mercury vapor.

10 I found that the ponds out there, the
11 cyanide ponds, are out of balance. And I've been out
12 there many times with the Cal-OSHA inspectors.

13 The fumes from the cyanide combine with
14 the mercury vapors and make what they call mercury
15 cyanide -- or mercury cyanate. It got in the air and
16 blew all over the place.

17 I have samples of mercury and cyanide
18 combination in water coolers, swamp coolers.

19 How many of you people out here have
20 those little white crystals? Yeah? Those white
21 crystals are alkali and mercury cyanide together.
22 And it's from the emission of mercury and the
23 emission of the cyanide.

24 Now, don't get me wrong, I'm a miner.
25 Before I even started doing any of this stuff, I was

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1 digging holes and blasting holes in the ground.

2 What you need to do is make sure that
3 these people put some form of mitigation, some form
4 of controls so that when they start blowing 100,000
5 pounds of dust in the air because some explosives guy
6 decides he wants to blast a rock to smithereens so he
7 won't have to crush it, and half of the ore goes in
8 the air along with the mercury compounds and
9 everything else.

10 Now, right here is the Environmental
11 Impact Statement, right here. And it says they won't
12 put in the air acetylide, arsenic, arsine, benzene,
13 beryllium, tanium, copper, formaldehyde, hydrogen
14 cyanide.

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15 Now, hydrogen cyanide is not natural to
16 earth, it's man-made. So that means they will be
17 putting hydrogen cyanide out when their ponds get out
18 of balance. And how they get out of the balance is
19 when mercury gets in there from the center bar, and
20 throws the cyanide way out of whack. So they can't
21 put the mercury compounds into the pile; they have to
22 smelt them separately. And when they smelt them,
23 they blow the mercury in the air.

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24 Now, it is documented by MSHA, Mine
25 Safety and Health Administration, and Cal-OSHA, that

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1 the Cactus Mine was cited several times for blowing
2 mercury in the air weeks on end.

3 When the Cal-OSHA inspector Henry
4 McEntyre went out there, he found that the scrubber
5 was broke, and they were out there vacuuming mercury
6 off the ground. And people wonder why their teeth
7 are falling out.

8 Let me finish here.

9 MR. MOHSEN: One more minute.

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10 MR. CHIODO: It also has lead,
11 manganese, mercury, naphthalene, nickel, PAHS's,
12 selenium and zinc.

13 Now, in the Environmental Impact it says
14 "air quality" and it also says "health hazards to
15 public safety."

16 Now, I do mean to chastise the Bureau of
17 Land Management. I have dealt with them for many,
18 many years. I have been mining for thirty-five
19 years. Some of you out here have mined for longer
20 than that.

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21 They should have supplied these prior to
22 this meeting so that you individuals who were
23 intelligent enough to read this could have read it
24 and see what you're going to be breathing and see
25 what's going to happen and why your kids get the

1 shakes or why your kid can't think right.

2 I'm going to sit down and let you guys
3 talk, but you think about what I'm saying. Because I
4 am an investigator for a large attorney firm, and
5 we're bothering to drop the bomb on these people.

6 MR. MOHSEN: We have to try and -- I'm
7 going to put some of his thoughts down because I want
8 to explain to you how we're going to responding to
9 all the concerns you've had today.

10 One of the important documents we
11 produced is called a Final EIS/EIR, which this is the
12 draft portion of it. The Final EIS/EIR really is
13 taking every comment, just like the one that was
14 made, and responding to it item by item.

15 We're not going to go around it. We're
16 not going to dismiss it. We are not going to
17 disregard it. We are going to address it with a
18 response.

19 It will be very hard for me to
20 articulate that response today because it takes more
21 than just me to do it. The State of California has
22 one of the toughest environmental laws in the
23 country.

24 So we have to consult with the other
25 agencies and make sure that the response to the

1 comments that were made are by the appropriate
2 agency, whether it's for toxics or air quality or for
3 water quality, it will be done and documented in the
4 final EIS/EIR sent to you again for review, holding a
5 public meeting, if necessary, again, to hear your
6 concerns again.

7 We're not going to exhaust this process
8 by one meeting. But comments such as the gentleman
9 just made need to be addressed, and it will be in due
10 time when we're ready to publish the document.

11 I will put some of his thoughts down
12 just to make sure if someone has additional ones,
13 that they can go ahead and state them, but if they
14 are repeating what this gentleman said, then,
15 basically it's already been documented and it's going
16 to be addressed in the final document.

17 The lady raised her arm earlier. Yes.
18 And then, sir you're right after her.

19 MS. BENSON: I'm Karen Benson, Vice
20 Mayor of California City and I have a Mayor's
21 proclamation from California City.

22 "Whereas, the combined Draft EIR/EIS has
23 been prepared by Kern County and the BLM for the
24 Soledad Mountain Mining Project and Golden Queen
25 Mining Company;

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1 "And whereas, Soledad Mountain has a
2 land use designation for mining the riches for such
3 land use and purpose. The Golden Queen Mining
4 Soledad Mountain Project will appropriately continue
5 such land use;

6 "And whereas, the Soledad Mountain
7 Project will require the investment by Golden Queen
8 Mining of over \$40 million in construction costs,
9 will use Kern County suppliers for building and
10 construction materials and will employ over 250
11 initial employees for eight months;

12 "And whereas, the project will provide
13 permanent jobs for a projected 230 employees over a
14 lifetime of the project, estimating between twelve
15 and sixteen years. And Golden Queen Mining is
16 committed to hiring East Kern residents in supporting
17 Kern County's businesses;

18 "And whereas, the Golden Queen Mining
19 Company will be constructing and operating a
20 state-of-the-art mine and reclaiming operations while
21 being simultaneously committed to the preservation of
22 historical mining works and structures in the area
23 covered by the project;

24 And whereas, the Soledad Mining Project
25 will provide an important addition to the Kern County

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1 tax base, and help meet infrastructure needs of
2 Southeast Kern County;

3 "Therefore, I Mayor Mary Adams by virtue
4 of the authority vested in me as mayor, do hereby
5 support the Golden Queen Mining Company in their
6 endeavors in East Kern, and recommend that approvals
7 required by local agencies be granted to allow this
8 project to go forth.

9 "In witness whereof, I hereunto set my
10 hand and cause the great seal of California City to
11 be affixed this 6th day of June, 1997."

12 The whole City Council of California
13 City supports this project. East Kern is considered
14 a depressed area. The benefit of jobs and the fact
15 that they will spend their money in the East Kern
16 region is enough to support this project.

17 Thank you.

18 MR. HOOPER: Hello everyone. Last time
19 I was in this building was forty-years years ago. I
20 went to elementary school here.

21 I have a long-term interest and I
22 cherish the desert, and I would like to see it remain
23 livable.

24 My name is James Hooper. I live at 3966
25 Backus Road. I have a home there and one in

1 California City.

2 I agree that California has a lot of
3 environmental protection laws, but the problem is
4 enforcement.

5 I have a couple of articles here, one
6 involving -- perhaps you saw them -- the burning of
7 tires -- the Kern County Air Pollution Control
8 District permitted the burning of tires, and then got
9 their hand caught in the cookie jar about the
10 environment and said basically, "Oops."

11 Therein lies a big part of the problem
12 is, who can we trust to tend the chicken coop, and
13 many times within the Environmental Impact Report
14 it's the mining company that turns in the
15 information. And that's a hard situation to trust,
16 folks.

17 This is another article regarding the
18 Lahonton Water District, which permitted sewage
19 dumping against -- well, in contrast to many of their
20 own rules about covering it, plowing it in and so on.
21 And they did not begin to comply until they were
22 pressured to by environmentally-conscientious people.

23 I also would like to say, I think this
24 is a great project. It's in the wrong place.

25 I live on Backus Road area. I belong to

