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Mr. Kuhle;

During my thirty years in the construction business I have had the opportunity to work on many world class mining projects in Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, and Alaska. All of which went through an EIS process. Most were opposed by concerned groups who felt the environment would be permanently damaged and wildlife eradicated. I am happy to say that because of their concerns and input those project where moved forward with the best of intentions implemented. Today these properties contain some of the best most productive reclaimed lands in the region. Wildlife flourish within their boundaries as if lining on a preserve. All the while providing jobs, schools, police, and emergency services to the local communities.

On the other hand I have also participated in superfund cleanups in those same states that did not go through the due diligence of an EIS. We have come a long way from those days of old. Today's projects are better engineered, managed, and monitored and it is inaccurate and unfair for some groups to compare the two. Good luck with this very important process. I am very much in favor of responsible development of our valuable resources.

Thank you for the important work that you do.

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