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City of Grass Valley, IMM Project
c/o Thomas Last, Planning Director
125 East Main Street
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Dear Mr. Last:

Please accept my brief comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Idaho Maryland Mine Project. I submit them as a citizen of Nevada County and appreciate the opportunity weigh in on an important regional issue.

As other comment letters point out, the project itself is irresponsible, and approval of the DEIR would be illegal.

The DEIR is clearly inadequate in assessing what the project would truly mean to Grass Valley, Nevada County, and beyond. It greatly underestimates impacts on air quality and traffic circulation.

For me, the issue is personal and boils down to a choice between our kids' health and short-term profits for a special interest. In other words, please don't approve a project that would force me to look my son in the eye and tell him we had to cancel T-Ball practice because it's not safe for him to go outside and breathe.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Mooers
Nevada City