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Dear Clean Environment Commission,

I'm opposed to the proposed Vivian Sio Silica Mine in Springfield, Manitoba.

It is too great a risk to take with with our water supply.  
The technology is unproven.

Scientist with strong credentials are opposing this project - Dr. Eva Pipp, Dennis LeNeveau.  
I have read their work on this and feel it is accurate.

There is danger to humans from the silica sand dust.  
The natural environment of this large area will be destroyed. Biodiversity lost forever.

A good portion of this sand will be used for fracking and oil and gas industry. I'm opposed to that morally as our climate is on the brink of irreversible climate crisis due to our use of fossil fuels.

Even though I don't live in the affected area, the potential cost of supplying these affected communities with drinking water once their water is polluted, would end up coming out of everyone's taxes.  
The road repairs needed from the heavy industry would be taxpayer's responsibility.  
The health care needed for those contracting silicosis from the sand, cancer and other lung diseases, would be paid for by our Manitoba Health, not the Sio Silica company.  
Again, taxpayers costs.  
Lots of fossil fuels would be used to create and run this plant.

This is our province and everyone has the right to clean drinking water.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Thank you,  
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