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I am writing to you today to let you know that we are totally against the mining of silica in the Vivian area. Mining has no place in our drinking water..There is no room for error...This process of mining has never been done before and we are being their guinea pigs . Im sure you are aware how big the aquifer is,that they are trying to mine in , and if its contaminated by this process, we are doomed...Already we have noticed a difference in our water rust wise since they started test drilling not too far from us....I'm asking you to not give them the okay to set up their plant. Not only is our water in jeopardy but the health of our residents is also a concern...Years later this dust from silica may show up in our kids lungs as well as ours...We are depending on you to protect us by deny them the licence to mine here. Thank you for listening Sincerely Gail and Ernst Hartje [REDACTED]