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I am a senior citizen, an environmentalist with records of attaining the first certification of a high rise office tower in Manitoba under Boma Go Green program in 2006 ,followed by BomaBest in 2008 and the first LEED ``Platinum" rated Office tower in Manitoba. In the last 5 years prior to my retirement in 2017, I was the National Manager of Sustainable buildings in the USA and Canada for a major REIT. Our team certified many, many, buildings out of a portfolio of 250 office, retail and industrial buildings in North America to follow LEED standards.

I am a 14 year resident of a 5 acre lot in the RM of Springfield about 1 mile from Birdshill Park. This little piece of heaven is my family's sanctuary. I am active in a lot of matters that affect the well being of Springfield and its residents. I attend council meetings, planning meetings, committee of the whole and all public hearings and works that pertain to the residents of Springfield such as development planning and zoning by-laws .

When Can White sands first became visible it flagged a lot of interest as to what they were doing, why they were doing it, and how they managed to get access to start drilling in the Rm of Springfield in search of minerals. It certainly appeared to be done in secret without the knowledge of the residents of the RM. and our previous council would not own up to inviting them into the RM to proceed. None of the surrounding municipalities would entertain their stepping foot on their properties.

In attending all the meetings concerning Can While / Sio Silica over the last couple of years it is evident to me that you cannot reasonably ensure that drilling 48" diameter bore holes to the tune of 10,000 over 24 years that you aren't going to impact the water that is our drinking water. Contamination of the water will negate the further expansion of housing developments and our economy. Everyday we read about all the initiatives of the Provincial and Federal government to preserve wetlands, plant trees, create larger national parklands and do everything in our power to ensure that we can grow our province and accept more immigration. We read that municipalities surrounding Winnipeg are being asked to plan for the accomodation of another 4,000 family homes per municipality. How can we possibly expect housing and industry and agriculture to exist if we contaminate the water.?

There exist a lot of other areas around the periphery of our aquifer where the silica sand is on the surface or is just under shallow water that is already not pure and oxygen free. Let those places be where Sio Silica gets their sand from. These areas will not impact the future of generations that could benefit from the quality of life and water that we have here.

thank you

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