

From: [Becky Iverson](#)
To: [Ed Scofield](#)
Cc: [Julie Patterson-Hunter](#)
Subject: Constituent message re: Rise Gold
Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 4:38:50 PM

Dist 2

Hi Supervisor Scofield,

Larak Butgran, resident of District 2 called to express his distrust in Rise Gold and his opposition to the mine reopening. He had a lot of comments on this particular issue....he left his number if you'd like to reach out: [REDACTED]

Julie, he also wished to share his sentiments with the entire board, if you don't mind passing along.

Thank you,

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From: [Cathy Melior Benoit](#)
To: [bdofsupervisors](#)
Subject: Please protect our Environment - No Mine.
Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 12:29:24 PM

Dist 1

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Respectfully to Board of Supervisors -

Our area holds better potential in retaining healthy environment for creativity to build for future.

With Covid, with fires, with national and world issues, please "Stop the Mine".

Now is not the time to allow.

Maybe future technology can allow safely considering - 50 years? - But, block at this time.
It is neither wanted, nor needed. Please.

Please, do not allow this request further options.

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Thank you,
Cathy Melior Benoit



Sent from my iPhone

From: ali.stefanich
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: Please do not allow the Idaho-Maryland Mine and reinstate a mask mandate
Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 11:15:11 AM

Dist 1

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Hello Board of Supervisors,

I live in district 1 at [REDACTED]. I am writing to express my concern of the reopening of the Idaho Maryland mine. I am a staff member at an organization that is dedicated to protecting people from and teaching people about the mining's toxic legacy. Nevada county has some of the highest breast cancer rates in the country because of our history of mining. Reopening the mine would not only risk further input of toxic waste into our community harming everyone's health and wellness, it would also negatively impact our local natural ecosystems- the very thing that keeps our county alive as a tourist destination. Reopening the mine would mean another hundred years of the community being held liable to clean up the mess of the past. Is that what we want to leave for our children? Does the short term gain (which is not likely to be available to community members but instead will just be new people moving into our community) really make up for the fact that it will be harming the communities health? Additionally, it could further impact the food that is grown in our community. If the water that is being used to irrigate our local farms (the life blood of our community) is contaminated with heavy metals, our food will be too. Our children will be unknowingly eating food that is filled with lead, which will impact their mental development, or arsenic which could lead to cancer down the road. And that, I think we can all agree, is not what we want for their future.

The other thing that I wanted to express my concern about is our COVID rates. Right now COVID is destroying our community- more people than ever are in the hospital, businesses are having to close their doors again because all of their staff is infected, it does not feel safe to go anywhere in town because people who are not vaccinated cannot be trusted to mask up. And it is for this reason that I think that we should reinstate a county wide mask mandate regardless of vaccination status. Until this virus is under control, allowing people to go around freely without masks will only continue to bring harm to our community members and its businesses. Many counties in our state have a much lower transmission rate and are already working to reinstate mask mandates. And, until more people get vaccinated it is the best way to protect our community.

Thank you for reading,
Ali Stefanich