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Jerry Schoeppner
Director Mining and Minerals Division
New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources

Dear Mr. Schoeppner:

The San Marcos Association (a Registered Organization under the Sustainable Land Development Code of Santa Fe County [Chapter 2] that advocates on behalf of our neighbors in central Santa Fe County) supports the Friends of Santa Fe County (FOSFC) in requesting a public hearing concerning the request by LAC Minerals for a "pit waiver" at the Cunningham Hill Mine in the Ortiz Mountains from the Mining and Minerals Division of the New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources - LACs documents ("2021-10 Revised Closure/Closeout Plan, Revision 20-1"). Any decision regarding such a waiver will affect many residents in the area and we feel they have a vested interest in knowing what the impacts of those decisions are, and would be for the foreseeable future. We therefore join with FOSFC in requesting a hearing accessible to the public in a location and at such a time as many of those residents might be able to attend, either virtually or in person.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Dennis D. Kurtz
President, The San Marcos Association