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While I agree we should reduce any environmental issues with air and water quality as best we can, I urge the Commission to review the geothermal brine lithium extraction systems, which promise to be the most environmentally friendly system as it relates to emissions, water usage and physical footprints.

Additionally, the process laid forth by California's regulations include the most comprehensive environmental requirements that provide me with full confidence that any approved projects will meet our environmental needs, while at the same time helping to fuel California's clean energy future.

Let's work together to improve these projects, finding the best path forward towards continued environmental stewardship and meeting our clean energy needs, while still allowing the industry and Imperial Valley to thrive for generations to come.

Juan Trevino





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October 26, 2022 @ 07:50pm  
Lithium Industry

To the Blue Ribbon Commission:

I wanted to share my support for continuing to develop the lithium industry in Imperial County. As you are aware, we have one of the state's highest percentages of individuals living in poverty, with almost a fifth of the population falling into this category.

For this reason alone, I appreciate the Commission's concern for our community, which has been underserved for decades.

By supporting the development of these projects, we can secure much-needed economic benefits - like hundreds of jobs, millions in tax revenue and tens of millions in economic activity funneling into the Imperial Valley. At the same time, it can help to fuel California's clean energy future and make the state's new climate goals a reality.

Additionally, the dedicated revenue stream passed by the California legislature will ensure local communities receive a significant share of the production taxes on lithium (including funding for the Salton Sea restoration) aiding us in this journey towards change.

Let's work together to support this industry and find the best path forward to meet our community and economic goals, allowing the industry, economy and Imperial Valley to thrive for generations to come.

Mercy Pena



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I too want to see engagement when it comes to the continued development of this unique industry. However, community outreach should not be mandated as a prerequisite to greenlighting a project with many tremendous benefits.

The lithium industry is in a critical spot when it comes to Imperial County's future, having the ability to provide hundreds of jobs, millions in tax revenue and tens of millions in economic activity, while at the same time helping to fuel our clean energy future.

Let's continue to work together to improve these projects, finding the best path forward that balances the desire for community inclusivity and support, yet also considering the overarching positive impacts projects like these can have on Imperial Valley and generations to come.

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