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Subject: Leitrim County Development Plan: Opposition to Gold Mining in North Leitrim

To whom it may concern,

My name is Brendan McLaughlin and I moved to North Leitrim over 23 years ago to set up home, where I have lived since. My family is very upset at the proposed plans to proceed with the gold mining idea in North Leitrim. There is evidence that gold mining is energy and carbon intensive and that it has a negative impact on the environment, people living in the area, waterways, animals, tourism and fauna. This decision is not compatible with a sustainable future for the present and future population. Such an extractive industry goes against any efforts we make to positively introduce effective climate control measures. The granting of 47 licences is crazy without proper and thorough consultation with residents. The Leitrim County Development plan should reflect the unanimous will of the Leitrim County Councillors that have registered their opposition to gold mining in the area.

Best Regards,

Brendan McLaughlin