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To whom it may concern,

I have been an active member of trout unlimitedfor many years. My wife, kids and I have all spent countless hours into volunteering our time to help restore many of the SE MN streams. It has now come to my attention that the silca sand mining standards for protecting groundwater and SE trout streams are weak or entirely absent.

Minnesota is home to some of the most beautiful places and had abundant wildlife including trout. I request that the proposed silca sand mining be handled appropriatley to ensure these places and the wildlife who live in them will be around for generations to come.

Please make sure regulations are in place and enforcable so that the silca sand mining does not deplete or erode our natural resources.

Thanks You,

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