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## **General Comment**

Human lives are at risk; as a nurse, I've seen the devastating results of lung disease. Black lung disease is horrible for victims and their families. I strongly urge you to strengthen the proposed rule to specifically require periodic silica dust testing during all phases of a mine's construction and operation, and require mining companies to ventilate their mines or capture or eliminate dust.

Thank you for reading this and considering the stronger rules for ventilations or eliminatin silica dust.