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## Submitter Information

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## General Comment

To: Prospective Birth Cohort Study Involving Environmental Uranium Exposure in the Navajo Nation

My name is Christel Venero and I am currently a student at the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point. I have a bachelor's degree in Agronomy and Animal Husbandry from my home country Peru, and I am graduating this December from UWSP with a major in Natural Resources Management. I have strong feelings that funding for the Prospective Birth Cohort Study Involving Environmental Uranium Exposure in the Navajo Nation should be continued to provide the best possible protection for Navajo people, especially the children. In my home country the native people have suffered many problems from the dangerous mining methods in the Amazon area. It has had bad effects on their health and their lifestyle. I would like to see the Navajo and native people everywhere protected from large corporations who are only interested in making money. I feel that this project has an excellent start, but to discontinue now would give incomplete results and may actually waste the money which has been already spent. It is important to identify additional subjects for the research and to follow them for a longer period. Please continue this worthy project.

Thank you very much for considering my concern about discontinuing this project.