**The Mining Case Study**

1. **Should this mine be allowed to go ahead? Why or why not? Provide reasons.**

Mining Company: They say yes because then employment will grow richer since you will find more gold and other useful metals. This will also lead to a better community and the rocks that they will throw away will be good because then there will be less erosion and less disturbance of water flow.

Mining Workers: They say no because the mining company will be mining 302 tonnes and there will also be 1.5 tonnes of waste for every 1 tonne of ore mined. This will lead to unclear trails which means a lot less easy for transportation. This will even cause environmental damage in which people and animals are forced from their homes and land. This mining project will also most likely cause a lot of issues like health issues for example and will be a costly project.

1. **What are the benefits for your group?**

Mining Company:

* Employment rates will increase
* More copper, gold, and other useful metals
* Less erosion and less disturbance of water flow
* This will lead the government to a better community

Mining Workers:

* The Mining Company will create waste dumps for every tonne(s) of rocks
* The economy will grow richer
* They will wash-water prom maintenance shops that will flow into sediment ponds

1. **What are your groups concerns?**

Mining Company:

* This will cause a lot of health issues
* This will be costly
* This will also affect the environment deeply like soil destruction
* People will be forced to leave their homes and animals

Mining Workers:

* Less roads will be created and trails which will make it harder for transportation
* This will also affect the formation of sinkholes and groundwaters
* This will also be very hazardous to the environment like all the coniferous trees will be gone and other wildlife
* This will even force people and animals from their land, not only homes

1. **What role will sustainably plan in your decision?**

Mining Company: For the Mining Company, they do have a specific role for this project to sustainably work. They say that they are trying to make this mining project as sustainable as possible. Other than that, they say that there is no choice but to keep going since they are on a busy schedule.

Mining Workers: For the Mining Workers, they say that they do not have a specific role for this project to work other than this. They say that if only less mining was done ahead of time or if there is a chance that we could possibly regrow the trees after all the hazardous work the mining company did to the environment.

1. **Are steps being taken to make sure this is sustainable and beneficial? If so, what are they?**

Mining Company: They say that there are steps to making sure this is beneficial like they will keep mining so that there will be more gold and copper and other useful metals so that the economy will grow richer and we will have a better community and employment rate.

Mining Workers: They say that there are no steps to making sure this is sustainable. No or less mining needs to be done so that we will find transportation to be a bit easier and the environment would not be as bad as it will be. Also, people will not be forced to leave their homes as often as it will normally be.

1. **If not, what else could be done to make this effort beneficial and sustainable?**

Mining Company: They say that there is nothing else to do making this effort beneficial and sustainable other than keep mining on a busy schedule and they would even keep going with what they are doing.

Mining Workers: They say that if only the Mining Company had planned this way ahead and maybe moved to a new location where not as much mining was required. They even could have done less mining so that there would have been less tree and soil destruction. If all of this would have happened, this would have impacted the government a lot less and we would not have to worry about this as much.