A toxic nickel mine is being developed near Big Sandy Lake and the Mississippi River, in the heart of Anishinaabe territory, or northern Minnesota.

Sulfide mining will harm our aquifers, surrounding wetlands, and sacred waterways for generations to come.

Notorious international mining giant Rio Tinto is behind this proposed mine. They’ve enlisted a new exploration and marketing company, Talon Metals, to lay the groundwork for what may become Minnesota’s first sulfide nickel mine in water-rich Aitkin County.

We're calling for a real just transition to sustainable energy sources and climate justice, not a new era of corporate destruction, division and sacrifice zones under the banner of green energy.

Scan the QR code or go to bit.ly/TalonMetalsPetition to take action.
Rio Tinto calls this a “green mine” because some of the nickel would be sold to Tesla for luxury electric vehicle batteries.

- **There is no such thing as “green mining”** - especially without consultation and consent of Indigenous and downstream communities.

Opponents are calling this and other new mines on Turtle Island a form of **green colonialism** because companies are once again targeting Indigenous lands for exploitation, using false climate solutions and global market domination as justification for their land grab.

This proposed mine is on the border of 1855 and 1854 Anishinaabe treaty territories, in a vast wetland ecosystem that naturally sequesters carbon and provides food and medicine.

- **It threatens some of the most abundant manoomin, or wild rice, lakes in the world.**

The mine is planned just a few miles away from Enbridge Energy’s dangerous new Line 3 oil pipeline.

**Studies show that the mining and waste produced from the Talon Mine could release toxic sulfuric acid into the atmosphere and surrounding waters**, impacting people and the environment for generations.