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Phoenix, December 22 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of Arizona, members of the San Carlos Apache Nation have called a day of action in opposition to a proposed copper mine in a sacred portion of the Tonto National Forest. The tribe says the planned mine would raze an ancient forest, known as Oak Flat, and contaminate a large swath of southern Arizona.

The Trump administration is racing to approve the mine as part of a massive transfer of federal land to oil, gas and mining companies in the final days of Trump's presidency. The plans include a proposed uranium mine in South Dakota, an open-pit lithium mine in Nevada, and a natural gas pipeline, which would run through Virginia and West Virginia and cross under the Appalachian Trail.

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