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SOUTH32'S HERMOSA PROJECT PARTICIPATES IN TUCSON METRO CHAMBER PODCAST ON CRITICAL MINERALS



Pat Risner, President of the South32 Hermosa Project was a guest on the Tucson Metro Chamber of Commerce's "The Business of..." Podcast on July 27, 2022.

The episode, entitled "The Business of Critical Minerals," was hosted by Heather Wuelpert, Tucson Metro Chamber Director of Communications. Risner was joined by Retired Major General Ted Maxwell, President and CEO of the Southern Arizona Leadership Council (SALC) and Pima County Representative on the Arizona State Transportation Board.

Risner and Maxwell discussed:

- The importance of manganese and zinc for electric vehicles and other clean energy technologies like wind and solar power
- How Hermosa intends to set a new standard for sustainable mining
- Geopolitical threats related to critical minerals and the importance of strengthening domestic supply chain of critical minerals

It is available for listening on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Google Podcasts](#), and [Spotify](#).



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About the South32 Hermosa Project

Located in a historic mining district in the Patagonia Mountains of Southern Arizona, South32's Hermosa Project is currently the only advanced mine development project in the United States that could produce two federally designated critical minerals—manganese and zinc—both of which are essential minerals for powering the nation's clean energy future. Learn more at www.south32hermosa.com.

About the Tucson Metro Chamber

Founded in 1896, the Tucson Metro Chamber is a membership-based business advocacy and community development organization that represents 1,500 businesses, employing more than 160,000 employees in Tucson and Pima County. The Tucson Metro Chamber is committed to being the connector of leaders and influencers, catalyst for business growth, and champion for a stronger community.

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Further information on South32's Hermosa Project can be found at <https://south32hermosa.com/>.