

Pebble Mine

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They've been try-ing now for thir - ty years or more To build the

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know what's gon - na hap - pen if the cor - por - a - tion gets its way

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And they build the world's big - gest cop - per mine on Bris - tol Bay

To build the world's biggest copper mine in the world's last great wildlands

To store a billion gallons of poison, turn it into wastelands

A billion gallons of poison in massive reservoirs

And to keep it all there forevermore

The toxic sludge will never leak, they're saying it again

Oh to hear such stupid words from the mouths of stupid men

Chorus

The world's biggest copper mine or the world's biggest run of fish

You cannot have both no matter how hard you might wish

No matter how hard you might pray or how careful you might be

Massive sludge pits on a fault line will soon find its way into the sea

Chorus

The Pebble Company, it sounds almost benign

But there's not a shred of innocence about the Pebble Mine

Because among the pebbles and the ore are the tanks of cyanide

The toxic sludge pits a mile deep and miles wide

If we cannot stop them, if we don't manage to say no

We can say goodbye to the salmon and the salmon roe

Goodbye to the mountains when they flatten them for ore

Goodbye to all the things we once loved Alaska for

Chorus