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Dear Sir or Madame:

I am writing to express my wish that publicly owned forests and water bodies be preserved in a fully-functional healthy state above all commercial and industrial purposes. I understand that county government income has dips from time to time, and I want to see the Bureau of Land Management looking to sustainability for answers when this happens.

With your qualified staff, I know you comprehend the economic value of intact ecosystems, particularly forests,, streams, creeks, and rivers, where biodiversity has its roots. I am often surprised to hear about BLM intentions to lower protections, however. So I am asking that you please consider the environmental economics foremost when faced with budgetary crises so that forest systems may continually produce fresh air , water, recreation, habitat for wild things, and also for-profit materials. Don't you think that our natural environment is our greatest capital, natural capital, from which all else comes? Could it be that a harmonious symbosis of healthy nature and healthy pocketbook is the future?

I appreciate your work to preserve America's vitally important bounty of natural lands and hope that you'll take my input into your hearts.

Sincerely,

Jadene M. Fourman