

240 Water Street P.O. Box 95050 Henderson, NV 89009

October 14, 2019

Bureau of Land Management Attn: Tiera Arbogast 702 North Industrial Way Ely, NV 89301

FAX: 775-861-6745

Re: Protest of BLM Decision for November 2019 Competetive Oil and Gas Lease Sale Lincoln, Nye and White Pine Counties (DOI-BLM-NV-L000-2019-0004-EA)

Dear Ms. Arbogast:

The City of Henderson, Nevada hereby registers its protest in support of the formal protest lodged by the City of Mesquite ("Mesquite") concerning the November 2019 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale (DOI-BLM-NV-L000-2019-0004-EA). The level of risk that oil and gas exploration on the parcels identified by Mesquite (see Attachment A to the following page) would pose to the hydrologic basin that is Mesquite's sole source of potable water is unacceptable; there is no alternative supply available to the City.

Clean, safe drinking water is a foundational resource upon which the economic life of any community is based. To threaten this resource for economic gain is neither appropriate nor rational. The potentially disastrous economic and social consequences of a failure to protect this critical resource far outweigh the minor economic gain that a very small number of people would realize from the proposed activities. The economy of Mesquite is intimately linked to the economies of the communities in the Las Vegas Valley.

The City of Henderson appreciates the opportunity to comment on the November 2019 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale. We appreciate your consideration of the perspectives we have presented.

Sincerely,

Debra March Mayor

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COH City Manager 03:05:53 p.m. 10–14–2019

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ATTACHMENT A

Protested Parcels

Tabular List and Map

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NV-19-11-367	NV-19-11-419	NV-19-11-437
NV-19-11-368	NV-19-11-420	NV-19-11-438
NV-19-11-404	NV-19-11-421	NV-19-11-439
NV-19-11-406	NV-19-11-424	NV-19-11-440
NV-19-11-407	NV-19-11-426	NV-19-11-441
NV-19-11-408	NV-19-11-427	NV-19-11-442
NV-19-11-409	NV-19-11-428	NV-19-11-443
NV-19-11-411	NV-19-11-429	NV-19-11-444
NV-19-11-412	NV-19-11-430	NV-19-11-445
NV-19-11-413	NV-19-11-431	NV-19-11-446
NV-19-11-414	NV-19-11-432	NV-19-11-447
NV-19-11-415	NV-19-11-433	NV-19-11-448
NV-19-11-416	NV-19-11-434	NV-19-11-449
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