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BLM at New Mexico State Office

301 Dinosaur Trail

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508

Subject: BLM and Hickory Creek, Denton County Texas – Do NOT lease this land

To whom it may concern:

I am a resident of Highland Village who lives very near Lewisville Lake. I depend upon this lake for clean drinking water and all other everyday uses of water. The people of this region, which includes the millions in Dallas County depend upon it.

As a resource, water is irreplaceable and absolutely necessary for life, especially in an area prone to droughts. We cannot risk any possibility of polluting this resource through a gas line or drilling accident. Oil and gas companies are known for not taking care of the environment; however the Bureau of Land Management is the part of the national government that is charged with the responsibility of denying leasing of this land.

Already we know that the dam on Lewisville Lake is the eighth most dangerous dam in the country. To think that on top of this danger could be added the possibility of drilling for gas is beyond irresponsible.

These reasons do not even include the economic and recreational benefits that the lake provides for this region. Nor does it include the damage that can flow to the children and grandchildren who live in the area.

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