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Re: Proposed sale of mineral rights leading to fracking under the Waters of the U.S., including in Denton County, TX.

The February 10, 2016 editorial in the *Denton Record Chronicle* on the potential actions by the US Bureau of Land Management was welcomed but alarming.

It is the considered opinion of the undersigned that the risks taken by the U.S.BLM in offering the ramifications of the sale for the environment have not been fully explored.

The U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, the Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the State of Texas, and other Governmental agencies must be fully involved in any decisions regarding the Waters of the United States.

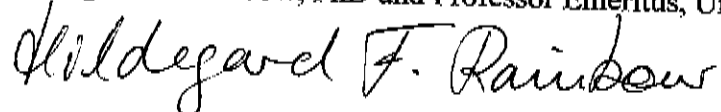
No action should be taken by the Bureau of Land Management until all environmental questions are answered. This is especially urgent in the case of possible fracking under Lake Lewisville with its already very fragile dam infrastructure.

Respectfully,

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