

FAX to 505-454-2010

FAX COVER**DATE:** 2/17/16**TO:** Bureau of Land Management**FROM:** MIKE BLEIER (936 449 6815)**SUBJECT:** April 20, 2016 Oil and Gas Lease Sale
Notice dated Jan 20, 2016**#PAGES inc cover:** 3Thank you,
Mike Bleier

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Bureau Of Land Management
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RE: Notice: The April 20, 2016 Oil and Gas Lease Sale Notice dated January 20, 2016

Sent via fax to 505-954-2010

Dear Sirs:

We would like to file a protest with your office regarding the above-mentioned Oil and Gas Lease Sale. My request would be that you:

- Postpone the assignment of a contract
- Schedule public hearings to discuss such a contract

We do not feel that the public has been provided sufficient notice to review the proposed sale and understand potential consequences to our community. In particular, I have contacted the following entities and elected officials in our community; and none of these had heard of the proposed sale.

Given that potential drilling could occur in the Sam Houston National Forest and around (or under) Lake Conroe (a drinking water source for Montgomery County), I believe that these entities and elected officials should be given fair time to review and understand the intention of this proposed sale.

Jace Houston, San Jacinto River Authority, General Manager

Mark Webb, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

Kathy Turner Jones, Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District, General Manager

Texas State Senator Robert Nichols

Texas State Senator Brandon Creighton

Texas State Representative Will Metcalf

County Judge Craig Doyal, Montgomery County

The Lake Conroe Association is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization in The State of Texas. We represent local residents and businesses in and around Lake Conroe in Montgomery County, Texas regarding matters that may affect Lake Conroe and our community. We believe we have a genuine interest in this matter as drilling could impact aquifers and surface water used to provide 100% of the drinking water for Montgomery County. I have consulted with the Lake Conroe Association Board of Directors and received a unanimous vote from them to write this letter and file our protest.

We hope you will grant our request, and we look forward to attending any public hearings on the proposed sale. Should you have any questions, please contact me at any of the sources listed on the letterhead.

Very truly,



Michael G. Bleier, President

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