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120 W. El Paseo St.
Denton, TX 76205
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Dear Sirs:

Re.: NM-201604-043 Denton County, TX

We are pleading for your help to avoid a health, environmental, and economic catastrophe in the greater DFW Metroplex! This is to register our opposition to the leasing/selling of the land rights under Lewisville Lake in the DFW Metroplex, TX to the Northwood Land Services of Fort Worth, TX.

The sale of the mineral rights for fracking oil/gas reserves is totally unacceptable! The entire population of the DFW Metroplex is at increased risk for a contaminated water supply and environmental pollution.

We have had numerous scares with accidents of spillage of spewed toxic fracking fluids into streets, storm sewers, and creeks in Arlington, TX. Fracking activity near injection wells has increased in the area. There have been numerous cases of environmental problems here in Denton County. The majority of the citizens of Denton voted last year to deny permits for fracking within the city limits. It was then determined that Texas House Bill 40 really stopped communities from banning fracking. We, the people, are left helpless to stop this invasion to health and environmental security.

Since fracking activities can be carried out as much as a mile for the entry point of the vertical well, these activities affect the development of luxury home sales on the shores of the lake have immediate economic, as well as health concerns, for the citizens of the towns of Highland Village and Corinth.

The thought of the fracking wastes being trucked out from sites near the lake via I-35E which is under heavy construction as new lanes are being added to the highway, and via FM 2181, another extremely heavily traveled local connecting highway is scary! Both of these highways normally carry unusually heavy volumes of traffic in the area.

Since the Army Corps of Engineers has recently increased their watchfulness of the stability of the dams of Lake Lewisville, this is another area of concern for the integrity of the dam to the continued importance of the valuable water supply of this lake to the whole area.

With all the points in mind, we sincerely submit to you our petition **not** to approve the allowance of selling drilling rights for the purpose of fracking under Lewisville Lake, Texas.

Sincerely,

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