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To: United States Department of the Interior
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Attn: JulieAnn Serrano

Subject: Formal Protest to Competitive Lease Sale - Oil & Gas on 20 April 2016 -
Specifically Parcel #43 - Lake Lewisville, Denton County, Texas.

BLM Reference: 3120 (NM922-js)

Purpose:

This document is to serve as a formal protest to the BLM Competitive Oil & Gas Lease Sale scheduled to be held in Santa Fe, NM on 20 April 2016. Specifically, this is to protest the inclusion of NM-201604-043 258.90 Acres Lot #43 - The Lake Lewisville Parcel located in Denton County, Texas.

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Protestor is an individual and does not represent any association, partnership or corporation.

Interest of Protestor: Landowner of property adjacent to the #43 parcel.

Justifications for Protest:

1. Lake Lewisville serves as the primary drinking water reservoir for Dallas and much of North Texas.

2. Contamination of Lake Lewisville by toxic, carcinogenic and/or neurotoxic chemicals used in the drilling and hydraulic fracturing processes would render Lake Lewisville water undrinkable with considerable negative consequences for the entire North Texas region.
3. Earthquakes associated with hydraulic fracturing and wastewater injection well disposal have been shown by USGS seismologists, as well as seismologists from numerous major universities, to have occurred in Oklahoma, as well as in Irving, Dallas, Azle, Reno, Springtown and other North Texas cities resulting in structural damage to homes, municipal buildings and commercial structures.
4. **Bodies of water amplify seismic activity (ex. tsunami) by wave action thereby inflicting damage to the already unstable Lake Lewisville dam. Lake Lewisville dam is identified by the Corp of Engineers (COE) as one of the most unstable and dangerous dams in the nation. Temporary repairs are already underway to repair a large collapse in the dam structure, but a full solution is not forthcoming for years. BLM has not endeavored to ascertain the effects of additional drilling on this dam.**
5. Insurance companies will not cover structure damages caused by man-made earthquakes associated with oil and gas production activities.
6. Oil and gas exploration and production on or under mortgaged properties violates provisions of federally-insured mortgage loans issued by VHA, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and other federal agencies, and can result in loans being called leading to forced foreclosures for people who receive no benefits from the oil and gas production.
7. The lease rates in the bid proposal offer public property at rates far below fair market value and defraud citizens of appropriate revenues from the lease of public property and the sale of publicly-owned minerals.
8. The Lake Lewisville lease parcels are very close to developed residential communities that would be harmed by the non-stop heavy industrial process starting with padsite preparation and continuing through well completion without benefit to local residents and possible reductions of their real property values.

This protest is submitted for inclusion into the record on 4 February, 2016.

Scott Stubbs

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Date

cc:

Britt Shipp, WFAA Television
Dave Lieber, Dallas Morning News
Jim Schutze, Dallas Observer