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Protest letter regarding April auction of oil and gas leases for Lake Lewisville, located in North Texas.

To Whom it may concern,

The upcoming lease availability for drilling/fracking rights adjacent to, and underneath lake Lewisville, in Lewisville Texas, is UNACCEPTABLE.

As a Texan who hunts, fishes, and uses Lewisville lake for recreation year around, AND it supplies my drinking water, I am very concerned that fracking contamination could contaminate and destroy the properties that make Lewisville Lake what it is. I am also concerned that in the event the drinking water is contaminated, it would be discovered much to late to not affect even some of the population.

I am very aware that there are other drilling operations in close vicinity. None that I am aware of allow drilling under the lake. The horizontal paths of the drillers have been PROVEN to cause seismic activity and numerous drillers have experienced failures of the well encasements in the past. While no operator plans on an accident, or may have an impeccable safety record, there is always the first time for everything. Once it happens, its like a bullet – you cant call it back to the gun and say I'm sorry. There is a reason many North Texas cities have passed ordinances prohibiting future fracking wells after discovering the mayhem caused by the current ones.

If any seismic activity occurred, it would surely have an effect on the already compromised Lewisville dam. The studies I have read about what happens if this fails, would be catastrophic to the area.

Oil and Gas prices are at an all time low. There are so many EXISTING wells that are capped off and waiting idle for the next price surge. I highly doubt the revenue from this deposit under the Lake is critical to the survival of America, its economy or the BLM.

PLEASE DO NOT ENDANGER OUR DRINKING WATER OR RECREATIONAL AREAS!!

Sincerely,

Jason Jones,

An angry Texan who wants a stop the contamination and abuse of Texas resources by the oil and gas industry..

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