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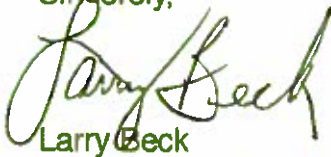
To whom it may concern;

The BLM's decision to auction off drilling rights on 259 acres in Hickory Creek, Tx. around Lake Lewisville seems an unwise decision. The inherent problems of leaks that come with fracking could create contamination risk for a water supply that the Dallas area depends on.

There is also the issue of dam repairs on the south side of the lake that could be made worse from the drilling process. Known factors of fracking and waste water disposal causing earthquakes could jeopardize the already weakened dam making current attempts to repair it more extensive and costly.

I strongly urge to reconsider your decision to allow drilling on these public lands. The Barnett Shale, which this area sits on the eastern-most fringe, is a vast area that provides other, more sensible locales to drill.

Sincerely,



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