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To Bureau of Land Management:

I am writing in regards to the auction scheduled for April 20th, 2016 for mineral rights underneath Lewisville Lake in Texas. I am a resident of the city of Carrollton, Texas. My city, and more specifically, my residence lies in the inundation zone south of the Lewisville Lake dam.

The Lewisville Lake dam is already under scrutiny for the risk to the residents due to the dire need for repairs to the dam. The Corp of Engineers has stated this dam is a "high risk" (See below excerpt from a February 10, 2016 release from the US Army Corp of Engineers).

***Risk Associated With Lewisville Dam: Based upon the most recent risk assessment of Lewisville Dam in 2014, USACE considers this dam to be a high risk dam among its more than 700 dams because of the risk associated with stability of the spillway during very high flows in the spillway associated with rare flood events and seepage that could lead to internal erosion of the foundation and/or embankment.***



This is a view of a section of the dam after the spring rainfalls. The high levels of rainfall we received in May and June stressed this dam significantly. Another occurrence of similar rainfalls in the upcoming spring will likely do further damage to the dam and potentially cause a breach. The damage shown above is not the only area impacted as seepage has also been identified. The area in the picture above has still not been completely repaired.

With the "high risk" dam in need of repairs and a risk to citizens in the area, adding another factor to the mix is inappropriate at this time. It is clear that fracking has contributed to earthquakes in the Dallas area over the past few years and they are increasing in number. Adding fracking anywhere near this dam is irresponsible.

I ask that you do not auction off the parcel of land labeled NM-201604-043 258.90 Acres TX TR F-519; TR F-520A; TR F-520B; TR F-524 Denton County, COE-NSO-LEWISVILLE LAKE.

Thanks,



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