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To all officials that this may concern:

Folks this is of great concern to me, as I read in the newspaper that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will auction off the drilling rights to a 259 acre section of Lake Lewisville

Sandbags and tarps were deployed in an attempt to prevent further erosion of a 160-foot-long land slide on the side of Lake Lewisville's Dam. May 2015's record rainstorms caused the land slide that was in close proximity to another major slide that happened in 1955 has given the Army Corps of engineers, great concern and suggests an instability that threatens the dam's foundation. A breach could put 431,000 people in harm's way.

Now with the threat of fracking in a lake that provides drinking water to so many people, I am concerned with leaks.

According to Donna Hummel the conditions the Corps provides are that the landowner and operator follow the rules they are established to protect wetlands and situated or taking place along or near river banks.

Is this the same thing that was said of British Petroleum (BP) before the greatest oil spill in our country's history? I understand that BP states that clean-up has been completed, which I do not believe.

- Would a natural gas leak not contaminate the drinking water?**
- Can you guarantee that fracking in Lake Lewisville would not cause an earth quake?**
- How would you ever insure that fracking in Lake Lewisville would not cause the dam to break?**
- Is it worth the risk of 431,000 people or more?**

34 miles upstream from Dallas, the Lewisville Dam holds back 2 million acre-feet, or 2.5 billion tons, of water when the lake is full. If the dam failed, the magnitude of all that water unleashed from Lake Lewisville down the Trinity River would dwarf the worst dam disaster in American history.

That would be the Johnstown, Pennsylvania flood of May 31, 1889, which occurred after several days of pounding rain breached the South Fork Dam. The flood killed 2,209 people and devastated the city. The Lewisville Dam holds back 125 times as much water as the South Fork Dam.

This is my protest against the sale/lease of any property in the Lake Lewisville area. I am asking that you cancel this proposal completely.

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