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RE Lewisville Lake Protest

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NOTICE OF PROTEST

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State Director
Bureau of Land Management
301 Dinosaur Trail
Santa Fe, NM 87508

Re: 15 NM-201604-043258.90Acres TX TR F-519;TR F-520A; TR F-520B;TR F-524;Denton County Tulsa FO CORP OF ENGINEERS LAKE LEWISVILLE PROJECT,NO PRIOR LEASES

Living on Lewisville Lake, I wish to protest drilling under Lewisville Lake as I believe it may endanger my water quality and may lead to earthquakes in my neighborhood as has been shown by the new and frequent earthquakes in areas surrounding the Dallas-Fort Worth area in the recent past wherein fracking has been taking place. I note the following to support my protest:

Rita Beving, of the Clean Water Fund, said her group looked at all Texas properties listed in the upcoming sale. She wants mitigating factors to protect the environment and critical habitat for endangered species as well.

The environmental assessment done was not acceptable, Beving said, as it was done in a more global, cursory nature.

"We have over 100 million acres of public land in Texas, and the BLM is working to stop drilling on all public lands. The Center for Biological Diversity is working to stop drilling on all public lands."

"[Public lands] shouldn't be for sale to the highest bidder," Park said. "Protecting the public should be a top priority. At a minimum, they have to do a proper and full environmental review."

The environmental assessment provided by BLM does not mention the lake's "integrity problems", Park said; and, she is concerned with drilling affecting the drinking water supply for the City of Dallas and other numerous North Texas cities.

Lewisville Lake has been the subject of recent news reports including the LTJ regarding dam deficiencies. Park is concerned that the fracking process for horizontal wells under the lake could or any 'possible' wastewater 'disposal' that might 'occur' in the 'vicinity' could 'weaken' the dam 'and' cause a breach.

The Sierra Club's Lone Star Chapter echoed the concerns of the others. Cyrus Reed, the group's conservation director, emphasized his concerns about water contamination. He thinks contamination could happen if a well's cementing or casing were to fail or if a spill were to