

Jesse Juen  
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New Mexico State Office  
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August 8, 2014

Dear Director Juen,

My name is John Harper and I am writing to you regarding the proposed sales of parcels NM-201410-001, 004 thru 015. I would like to officially protest the proposed sale of these parcels when they are offered up for lease in the BLM Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale, October 22, 2014.

I own approximately 10 acres overlooking Abiquiu Lake. I live here part time and when I'm not here, I rent out my property to vacationers who come to the Abiquiu area. This helps generate revenue and taxes for the local businesses and area attractions. The existing Environmental Assessment does not support a finding of No Significant Impact for the October 22, 2014 Oil and Gas Lease Sale. Consequently, my property and potential revenue it generates for the local area would be put at risk if the proposed sale were to be allowed.

We depend on a sustainable/potable water supply to support our property. Fracking risks poisoning our local water supply and that of many downstream users because of the geologic layer of oil and gas which sits above the aquifer east of the continental divide. Fracking also requires the use of millions of gallons of water for each well that we really don't have to spare.

In closing, I protest the proposed sale in the strongest possible terms and implore you to defer the 13 parcels up for lease in the October 22, 2014 BLM Lease Sale.

Sincerely,



John Harper

Please send a response indicating receipt of this correspondence to my address:

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