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Dear Sirs,

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I have lived long enough in New Mexico as well as other places to understand the value of the living world and water's place in it. "Without water there is no life", as they say here. Nothing lives without it but we can live without <sup>further</sup> oil and gas development. There are plenty of alternatives and water is far more valuable. I intend to live the rest of my life downstream from the 13 parcels in the STNF NM 201410-001 and NM 201410-004 up for lease sale in October of this year through-005, drinking the water and breathing the air. I am a hiker and host to many visitors from around the country and abroad, so that is my personal interest in what happens to the Chama basin.

There has not been adequate study of the possible effects of fracking near the Continental Divide where the movement of subterranean waters is complex. There is no basis for a FONSI.

Sincerely,

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