

August 14, 2014

Mr. Juen, *NEW MEXICO state director*

I write in regards to the October 22, 2014 oil and gas lease sale.
Please defer parcels NM-201410-001,004 thru 015.

The water of the Rio Chama water shed has maintained a level of purity for a long time. Leasing the land for oil and gas development would be an disrespectful and offensive action to our water system. I use the water of the Rio Chama to finically support my family by growing fruits and vegetables. Oil and gas development here would impact my way of life and potently contaminate the water supply for the entire Rio Grand basin.

Another concern I have is the geological make up of the Chama water shed. It seems that your studies are outdated and do not contain sufficient evidence that it is safe to drill for oil and gas here.

Please do not do this.



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