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ar Director Juen,

name is Christopher Bassett and I am writing to protest the proposed sales of parcels NM-410-001, 004 thru 015 that will be offered up for lease in the BLM Competitive Oil and Gas se Sale, October 22, 2014.

**erest in Protesting**

n a farmer and am concerned with the integrity and productivity of Northern New Mexico.

**asons for Protesting**

nderstand the importance of clean water, and a functioning ecosystem for the health of our munity. Without clean water we will not be able to continue to live in this place. We live with a ted amount of water in our part of the world, and I am concerned about the 2-10 million gallons vater that is used for each well in this process. I highly protest this misuse of the limited resource vater.

n [redacted] used in hydraulic fracturing are known to cause cancer, neurological, and other health blemes. There have been many examples of spills and groundwater contamination, despite the orts of private oil and gas companies. The risk of polluting our precious water is too great. If our er is affected it is the residents who will have to live with the consequences, not these companies.

e waters in Gallina and Regina flow into the Rio Chama and any pollution will also affect our ghbors down river all throughout the state.

r forests are vulnerable to forest fires because of extreme drought, and the hydraulic fracturing cess involves many fire risks. Wells have exploded and caught fire, and the flaring of natural gas n off can cause the dry forest to catch fire. Our forests are a part of our livelihoods and heritage ve use them for firewood, livestock forage, and wildlife habitats as people have for hundreds of s. After a fire burns, the exposed soil can cause flooding that pollutes our rivers.

ain protest and ask you to defer the 13 parcels up for lease in the October 22, 2014 BLM Lease

erely,

Christopher Bassett  
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use send your mandatory response to my address:

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