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Dear Director Quen:

My name is America Whittaker and my Address is
P.O. Box 414 Canyon, NM. 87515. I am a resident/
landowner of Sec. 36 in Rio Arriba County. I am
writing to protest the inclusion of the 13 parcels
in the Santa Fe National Forest that are up for
lease sale in October 22 2014 Oil & Gas lease
Sale / Farmington Field Office. These parcels are:
NM-201410-001, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011,
012, 013, 014 and 015. I am requesting that these
remaining parcels, east of the Continental Divide,
be deferred for the same reasons that the other
22 parcels were deferred, as they are in the
same geologic and geographic location.
My reasons for supporting this protest are as
follows:-

Water - We have our own well, the water is clean
& drinkable. This water supplies 11 people, cattle,
horses, chickens, ducks, geese, dogs & cats. A garden
that feeds our family, it has for 30 years. I want
my children and their children for years to come
to live on this land with the same pristine
water, clean air and the beauty of the wildlife
in their natural environment. We can't afford to take
a chance on poisoning our water sheds.

Chemicals - Goes right along with water -
In 2011 the House of Representatives reported that of
2500 fracking products, 150 contain known carcinogens.

We cant have toxic waste water getting into our waterways or groundwater supply.

Seismic Activity - Abiqui Reservoir is known to have several fault line. ~~that~~

Air Quality - The flaring practice used in fracking would pose extreme fire danger in a state that is all ready a high risk.

Cultural Resources & Landscapes - New Mexico is full of historic value, we should preserve this history & its beautiful landscape for future education.

It has come to my attention that the BLM needs to update the 2003 Resource Management Plan and Mancos Shale / Gallup formation RMPA/ES alternatives. These two studies do not address shallow shale fracking.

A finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the October 22, 2014 Oil and gas Lease Sale is not adequately supported by the Environmental Assessment as it now stands.

In closing we cant afford to poison of water sheds, Disrupt communities, wildlife, Historic sites or night skies. Is a chance that any real Commercial Value of Oil & Gas, no net gain for anyone just destruction.

Sincerely:

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