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Dear Director Juen,

My name is Patricia Roberts. As a resident of Abiquiu for 15 years, I continue to choose Northern New Mexico as my home because of its pristine unique landscapes, water, air and cultures that rely on these environments. My concerned today Northern New Mexico's water and land integrity. For this reason and I am writing to protest the proposed sales of parcels **NM-201410- 001, 004 thru 015** that will be offered up for lease in the BLM Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale, October 22, 2014. I am also declaring my strong opposition to opening up the lower Chama River Valley to the unaccountable practices of Hydraulic Fracturing. Please review my following key reasons for opposing of gas exploration and fracking in the lower Chama River Valley of Northern New Mexico.

1. Most important are the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Farmington Oil and Gas Lease October 2014 is NOT adequately supported by the Environmental Assessment (EA).
2. "To sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of America's public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations" as you know is BLM's own mission statement and is not served by the unaccountable practices of Hydraulic Fracturing.
3. Before selecting Northern New Mexico for the purchase of my home I moved from my birthplace San Francisco. I am very familiar with earthquakes and geologic bedrock integrity. I am concerned faults have been detected under the Abiquiu Reservoir and need to be included in the land record.
4. Water is everything. Keeping it clean is in the best interest of everyone.

The unaccountable practices of Hydraulic Fracturing endanger myself, my neighbors, families and my community. **Please defer the 13 parcels up for lease in the October 22, 2014 BLM Lease Sale.** Thank you for considering my comments on this issue, I appreciate it.

Best, Patricia



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