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Dear Director Juen,

I am a new resident of Abiquiu, New Mexico. I moved to this lovely state 2 years ago from my home in Kentucky. I was able to find a residence with a lovely casita, which I am able to rent for extra income during the tourist season. I have had a very busy summer with individuals who wish to explore the remarkable landscape, swim and boat in Abiquiu Lake and to enjoy everything Abiquiu and Santa Fe have to offer.

My protest is based on the proposed sale 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 most concerned about our potable water since Oil and Gas Companies are not required to disclose the chemicals they inject into the wells. In 2011 the House of Representatives reported that of 2,500 fracking products, 650 contain known carcinogens. Spills in New Mexico's oil and gas fields set records in 2012, with nearly 700 self-reported accidents. Toxic waste-water will be produced by the millions of gallons and there is no reference in the BLM Assessment to how they will dispose of it. Without pure water we do not have life, just sickness and disease in all living creatures.

The area in Northern New Mexico has the most remarkable landscape in the country and in the world. The BLM has identified hundreds of multi-cultural historic sites in the area of these parcels that are listed in the Environmental Assessment. Not only are these historic sites at risk but we are ruining our land. We need to be the stewards of the land. If we cannot protect the land will have ruination, disease and waste.

I strongly protest and ask you to defer the 13 parcels up for lease in the October 22, 2014 BLM lease Sale.

Sincerely,



Susan Schuler

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