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Re: Protest of the Proposed Auction by the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") of Parcel NM- 201604-043, being 258.90 Acres Located in Denton County, Texas (Lewisville Lake)

Dear Ms. Leuders and Ms. Serrano:

We formally protest the Bureau of Land Management's announced sale of mineral leases for a 258.90 acre tract of land adjacent to Lewisville Lake in Denton County, Texas.

Lewisville Lake is the City of Highland Village's primary supply of potable water to the Highland Village residents. **We do not want to be poisoned by greedy government like the citizens of Flint, Michigan. We are concerned about the huge risks of fracking beneath Lewisville Lake and the potential contamination of our drinking water.**

Lewisville Lake dam is currently undergoing repairs from the May 2015 storms. The Corps of Engineers has identified the following elements that need to be addressed: reduce underseepage and probability of internal erosion of the earthen dam structure; improve slope stability and reduce probability of sliding of the earthen dam structure; repair infrastructure at the risk of being compromised by uplift and erosion; and portions of the dam may not be stable under higher pool loadings. The USACE is proposing to modify features at the Lewisville Lake Dam in order to reduce risk associated with dam operation and extend longevity of the dam.

We are concerned that fracking beneath Lewisville Lake and the potential that seismic activity with associated fracking could exacerbate the identified risk to the dam which could result in a massive loss of life and property. The City of Highland Village and the City of Dallas have formally protested this.

For the reasons listed above, we protest and object to the proposed auction of a mineral lease of Parcel NM-201604-043, and respectfully request said parcel be withdrawn from the April 20, 2016 auction.

Respectfully submitted,

Christie and David Kay

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27 year residents of Highland Village