

Don Simpson, Acting State Director
Bureau of Land Management
5353 Yellowstone Road
Cheyenne, WY 82009

May 15, 2009

RE: Protest of June 2, 2009 Competitive Oil and Gas Sale

Protest of 1 parcel, Specific parcel protested include: Parcel WY-0906-076

Dear Director Simpson;

I hereby protest the inclusion of the above referenced parcel in the lease sale advertised by the BLM. I request the above parcel be withdrawn from sale because:

- 1) Sweetwater County is mostly desert country. This area on Little Mountain is one of the few areas local residents can enjoy mountains and trees. I would not want to see this scenic area marred by drilling, wells, or construction.
- 2) This area is also critical to many types of game. As stated above, most of the county is desert. Mountain habitat with trees is in limited availability. Drilling gas wells on Little Mountain would disturb the animals and leave them nowhere to go.

Best regards,
Rick Clarke

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