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Bureau Of Land Management
Attention Chris Hite
5353 Yellowstone Road
Cheyenne, Wyoming
82009

31 May 2014

Dear Chris Hite,

I have been resident at [REDACTED] Glenrock Wyoming for about 20 years. I am joining in on the protest along with other residents of both North and South Monkey Road in the Rolling Hills area of Wyoming of against the Bureau of Land Management. This protest is regarding the proposal of leasing the Parcel WY-1408-041 (previously referred to as Parcel 97). Portions of this parcel are located under occupied homes, residents and lifestyles of us living on both North and South Monkey Road.

North and South Monkey Road in the Rolling Hills of Wyoming, Parcel WY-1408-041, consists of 92 5 acre plots of which 90 are occupied residents. We as residents of these properties depend on private wells as our only source of drinking water. We also own these lots and pay taxes on them.

The companies the perform the hydraulic fracturing process are being exempt from the Safe Drinking Water Act is of particular concern concerning the depletion and or contamination of these water wells located in Parcel WY-1408-041 of the Rolling Hills area of Wyoming.

There are many regulations put in place by both The Bureau of Land Management and the Oil and Gas Commission. I, Thomas Richard Harrell, is concerned that the regulators exists in the quantities that would be necessary to enforce all the regulations if fracturing is allowed to take place in and on Parcel WY-1408-041. I cannot believe that the Bureau of Land Management can regulate and enforce all these regulations no matter how diligent they claim to be. Accidents, incidents and or violations that could occur under the occupied properties of Parcel WY-1408-041. These are legitimate concerns because of the catastrophic failure in the Gulf of Mexico off New Orleans, Luisiana. A little closer to home in Pavillion, Wyoming water wells have been contaminated because of the hydraulic fracturing process. Allowing for drilling in proximity to occupied properties would like occur here is unwise at a minimum and we believe could be illegal. Under BLM's policy for "Split estate" situations it must carefully consult with the surface owners before leasing and we do not believe this has not occurred in this instance. The state of Wyoming also has set back distances that must be complied with.

I have added my name to a petition that Mr. Orvie Stoneking initiated in the community concerning the fracturing of Parcel W-1408-041. This shows that we as a community are concerned with the go ahead of this lease.

I am adding my voice that a few weak regulation will have little or no protection of our water wells or way of life here.

Must also remind you that our own constitution guaranties us the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. If you as a federal agency continue with this lease and my well is contaminated you are in direct violation of the Constitution.

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As a resolution I, Thomas Richard Harrell, am asking that you take a pro-active approach and remove Parcel WY-1408-041 from the lease auction

Sincerely,
Thomas Richard Harrell

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