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When you look around our beautiful land you see many abandoned wells. Now the oil and gas industry wants to drill more and destroy more land with no new environmental study on the effects. When a new well is going in the road traffic around it is increased to a constant flow of rock trucks and huge 18 wheelers. This causes hazards to the visitors from cities who think the roads are not crowded. The air quality around the LBJ Grasslands is unsafe many days out of the year. The water table is being drained by all the fracking. The old wells are never restored like promised. It is much cheaper for the oil industry to pay a fine and abandon the well site. If more drilling is permitted without any provisions for reclamation the land will eventually become nothing but old well pads. There is no incentive to use less of our precious fresh water. It is polluted with chemicals and then injected back into the earth hoping the earth will filter it and make it potable. I sincerely wish the oil and gas industry would come up with a solution to the pollution, the erosion and the impact they make on the fragile environment before they are allowed to drill again on the LBJ Grasslands.