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Comments: I was born and raised near the Ruby Mountains and my family has lived in the region for generations. I am deeply disturbed by this proposal. The ecological, economic, and cultural value of preserving these lands undisturbed far outweighs any short term monetary gain that such leases could provide. As a physician I cannot overemphasize the importance to human health of having wild and natural spaces, both in terms of environmental integrity and human recreation. Please do not proceed with this proposal.