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Comments: The Ruby Mountain area is considered by many one of the crown jewels of public land in NV. Almost every weekend of my the spring, summer, and fall are spent in the Ruby Mountains. I go backpacking, hunting, and fishing in the proposed lease areas. The BLM has committed to opening more public access to hunters and leasing this land would be denying access to one of the best hiking, hunting, and angling spots in Elko county. The fact that this is even being considered sickens and appalls me. I have built many special memories with friends and family within those proposed lease areas and I intend to do everything within my power to ensure my grandchildren may have that same opportunity.