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TO:DEAR DISTRICT RANGER JOHN R. BALDWIN

FROM: MIKE & amp; CAROL CHILCOAT

RE: The proposal is to make available for oil and gas leasing approximately 54,000 acres of National Forest

System land in the Ruby Mountains.

Dear Ranger Baldwin,

We, as U. S. citizens, are completely against any action to lease any portion of U.S. land for the purpose of providing carbon-based fuels. With the current ecological conditions of "Global Warming" combined with the available power sources of solar and wind, the need to disrupt the natural environment and surface of the earth to create carbon-based fuels is uncalled for and being done to fill the coffers of the oil companies and rich investors. It isn't to benefit mankind or our ability to survive on this planet. It's time to say no to the line of thinking that doesn't consider what is beneficial to all concerned including both wild life and the vegetation on the surface of the earth.

We implore you to do what you can to avoid supporting the effort to the land in your district for the purpose of utilizing carbon based fuels.

Sincerely,

Mike & amp; Carol Chilcoat