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Comments: I oppose opening up the beautiful Ruby Mountains to oil or gas drilling. I grew up in Spring Creek and would hike in the Rubies every summer. We took field trips for school to the mountains to learn about plant and animal life, the garnets and other stones in the waterways, and understood how our local water supply is affected by the snowfall in those mountains. When friends from out of town came to visit, we would always make a day of hiking to show off the wonders and beauty of the Rubies. To have parts of the mountain cut off, hacked away, or the ecosystems destroyed due to pollution or other effects of oil and gas drilling or exploration would be detrimental and take away the beauty and wonder of these mountains that so many of us have come to appreciate. The Rubies belong to us ALL--not to a few greedy oil companies. I oppose this proposal whole heartedly!