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Comments: Opening the pristine Ruby Mountains to the oil and gas industry would have immediate and harmful effects on the flora and fauna of the area which is one of many reasons that this idea should not be pursued further. This would be to the detriment of a great many only for the benefit and profit of a select few. Such a concept should never be broached or considered again and it is a pathetic display of a capitalism that is free from moral values.

I believe that FDR said it best: "A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself. Forests are the lungs of our land, purifying the air and giving fresh strength to our people."