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Comments: Dear Sirs,

"Ruby Oil & Gas"

I oppose the Leasing of the Ruby Mnt West slope for Oil & gas exploration!

Those areas between Seitz Canyon and Jiggs and Harrison Pass & down to the Pearl Peak access Rd were aptly named. I have visited each of them on multiple occasions from my teenage years to and after my retirement at age 70 yrs.

I am from Reno before and again later after living in Elko with my wife and young family.

All three of the areas you indicate for the lease have been hiked or skied or hunted upon in the past 50 years. Climbing Ruby dome, skiing within the wilderness from the North to the South and exiting across the Harrison country.

Also taking the next generation up into the Sherman creek drainage to pursue Blue Grouse.

Consider that the costs and loss of what "WE", the present owners and users the National Forest would lose.

Compare that to what each of "US" would gain, and keep that land in the "Public Domain"!

Just thinking about it gives me "GAS!"

Sincerely,

Bruce Burkham

Life long Nevadan & former resident and frequent visitor to Elko County.