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Comments: Ruby Oil and Gas

Dear Acting District Ranger Joshua Nicholes,

The Ruby Mountains are an inappropriate place to drill for oil and gas. The mountain range supports abundant wildlife and recreational uses which are in direct conflict with oil and gas development. The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management would cause irreparable harm to the Ruby Mountains by allowing this development to occur. Additionally, oil and gas development harms aquifers, wastes precious water, exacerbates climate change, and the pollution caused by this development is scientifically recognized to be bad for our health.

I have personal experience of the damage of fracking, as I lived in Stone Creek, OH, for 5 years. The water was undrinkable, we had to buy bottled water, even with a water softener and two filters. I had two dogs die from cancer while living there. After the fracking started, the area started having small earthquakes. This is not something I care to experience again.

I strongly urge you to reject the oil and gas leasing application and protect Nevadans and the Ruby Mountains from this development

Sincerely,

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