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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.

Since my marriage to a man who grew up in the Elko area, we have been visiting Elko and the Rubies on a regular basis for over 20 years. The Ruby Mountains are a beautiful treasure. Anything that allows the Ruby Mountains or the East Humboldt range and their surrounding areas to be explored or exploited for fossil fuel production is just wrong!

Do the right thing, reject the oil and gas leasing application and protect Nevadans and the Ruby Mountains from this development.

Sincerely,

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