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Comments: Ruby Oil and Gas

Dear Acting District Ranger Joshua Nicholes,

I am a long time hiker and skier in the Ruby mountains. I am absolutely appalled by even the remotest possibility of fracking based oil extraction in this sensitive and pristine environment. Fracking is a horrible technology that has been directly linked to earthquake swarms and ground water contamination. Oil is at the cheapest it has been since 2008. You can see that by how the auto industry is now pushing to overturn the CAFE standards that they helped write in order to sell more highly profitable, gas guzzling SUV's to the American public. All at a time when there is a worldwide scientific consensus that if we are not able to drastically reduce emissions by 2020, our climate will enter a feedback loop that will last nearly a thousand years and completely destroy our economy and lifestyle as we know it. Please pull your heads out of your collective asses and do what is right FOR THE LONG TERM!

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 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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