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Dear Acting District Ranger Joshua Nicholes,

As a long-time Nevadan who has raised a family here, I can tell you -- we cannot replace this land once it is disrupted for short-term gain. Protect our wildlife and Ruby Mountains. This is an outrageous proposal!

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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