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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 strongly urge you to reject the oil and gas leasing application and protect Nevadans and the Ruby Mountains from this development. Nevada is one of the driest states in the union, already experiencing long-term drought. Potentially infiltrated or exhausted aquifers will negatively impact hunting and fishing due to displaced or harmed wildlife. This in turn will have serious negative economic consequences for rural Nevada communities. Robbing Peter to pay Paul?

And need i say more about the health risks posed to humans that is borne out by data collection in other parts of the US.

Please Don't allow fracking in the Rubies.

Sincerely,
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