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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.

In an era during which we should be doing all we can to move away from our dependence on fossil fuels and avoid the worst effects of climate change, this application is unnecessary and will create great harm to the environment without any benefit, except to the fossil fuel industry.

Please show us that agencies of the current administration care more about the health of U.S. citizens and the land in which they live, than the interests of the few who will profit from harming both.

Sincerely,

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