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Comments: Please please do not let fracking happen in the Ruby Mountains. This is a place our families have enjoyed our whole lives. We travel Harrison Pass yearly and that too is an amazing view with it's high ridges, creeks and wildlife. Yes, we've seen plenty of antelope and deer on this road and can't imagine it opened up to rigs and extra traffic. Just below the pass is the Ruby Marshes, full of history, fishing, bird watching, etc. it's one of the most beautiful places you can go in Nevada and see it all in one place.

Four years ago, we started seeing traffic going through the Valley pass Shantytown with orange flags on personal trucks. This made me sad, knowing times are changing and wondering than how fast things would change in the valley, just with mining on the other side of the mountain. The area does not need extra traffic. Yes there is a separate road for them to take on the other side of the mountains, but the flags are proof they travel thru the Ruby's too.

Years ago, it took one careless person to let a small campfire to do the damage that was done to a whole mountainside from the campground just before you hit Shantytown. When we get back into a drought, because we are usually known as the driest State in the Nation, what happens to the wildlife than. Oil and gas includes building roads, housing people, taking more water and chemicals possibly going to the lowest place.....that would be the Ruby Marshes.

The Ruby's has so much History, from the Hasting family to many Nevadans growing up at a time the lake had water skiing. The fishing, hunting and birdwatching has changed throughout the pass five years, please don't make it worse and think about what this area offers to many locals, Nevadans, tourists and the wildlife.

All of the Olson family is against this and sad to think it's even been thought of.

Thank you for reading this.

Sincerely

Katrina Olson