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Comments: I will say this as clearly as I possibly can: opening up the Rubies to exploitation by big industry ought to be criminal. Not only is it protected land, it is beautiful land. And it is our land. I grew up hiking in those mountains, swimming in those lakes, camping under the clear skies. If the government takes that away from our community you can bet that they will regret it. The Rubies are our home; and we don't take lightly to people trying to take it away from us. Remember there is an election coming up, and there is a lot of concern right now about the Republican party in Nevada. Elko County is a key area to win important seats. We matter, our voices matter, our votes matter. If you do not listen to us then you will pay the consequences at the ballot box.

I'm going to say it again, to make sure you heard me. You CANNOT open up the Rubies to oil or mining. You OUGHT to listen to voters instead of big oil. You MUST respect the local places where we live, or we will not respect you.