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Comments: Dear Sirs,

I am a first year college student, and a native Nevadan. I have never seen the Rubies because my still-working parents have not had enough time off these past many years to visit most of Nevada. They will retire in 2-3 years and it has been our mutual goal to visit Great Basin National Park, the Rubies, and Jarbidge.

For their sakes and mine, it would be horrible to discover the most beautiful eastern recreational areas disrupted by fracking.

Oil and gas leasing will continue to occur, but I am requesting that the Rubies, along with Jarbidge and the GBNP be protected in perpetuity from fracking! I believe the U.S. Forest Service has an obligation to protect wildlife, conserve critical habitat and protect essential watershed. To allow fracking in the Rubies is to dismantle such protections.

Thank you for taking my comment. Please DO NOT ALLOW oil and gas leasing anywhere in the Rubies. Ideally, please also maintain a buffer zone between fracking zones and the Rubies, if it comes to it.

Thank you,

Andrew Hervey