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Jenna Padilla, U.S. Forest Service

Dear U.S. Forest Service,

As a long-time and frequent visitor to the Ruby Mountains, I am writing to ask that you deny the U.S. Bureau of Land Management's request to open the Rubies to oil and gas leasing. The Ruby Range is one of Nevada's foremost wildlife habitats, recreation destinations and water sources, and the risks and impacts posed by fracking are simply unacceptable in a landscape of such regional importance. Potential impacts to Ruby Lakes National Wildlife Refuge are also a concern. The proposed leasing appears to be completely speculative, and there is little if any need or gain to Nevadans from such a proposal.

Please reject any and all oil and gas leasing in the Ruby Mountains of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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