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Comments: Thanks for the opportunity to comment on this proposal

While oil and gas extraction will not last forever, watersheds, wildlife habitat, timber, grazing, and scenic and recreational values are enduring.

We ask the Forest Service to require stringent mitigation and complete reclamation after all extractive operations are finished. Furthermore, no exploration or extraction should be allowed in "upper tier" roadless areas, and all non-upper tier roadless areas should be protected by NSO stipulations that are not subject to waivers.

Existing and potential Research Natural Areas (RNA) and Special Interest Areas (SIA): Oil and gas leasing would destroy the natural values for which RNAs are designated and undermine the values of SIAs such as Picketwire Canyon or the Santa Fe Trail.