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Comments: To those who read this statement, I am a life-long citizen of the state of Texas, I grew up in Houston, and have enjoyed living in Austin, San Antonio and Plano. I love the wild, unkempt land of Texas, the land that supports the rare and beautiful animals and plants that make our state unique I object to this plan to open these precious public land up for commercial extraction of oil and gas, I object to this because these lands were set aside for a reason! It was to protect the natural environment from the problems of modern industry, not to allow private businesses to use the land in pursuit of profit. I fear the damage to the ecosystem that will be inevitable if this access is granted. Leaking pipes, issues from fracking, air-quality degradation...just a few concerns that I have for these lands which are intended to be preserved, I plead that these new leases be denied.