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Comments: I strongly oppose this lease application. What happens beneath the surface effects the whole ecosystem including water drainage, water quality and safety, stability of soils and geologic formations. There are far too many examples from the Appalachians to the Rocky Mountains of how subsurface mining impairs and destroys ecosystems and geologic stability. Coal should be dead as an energy source. The price we pay in ecological consequences is far too great.