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Comments: Drilling - even exploratory - is a violent disruption of the spirit of this land. It threatens water systems that have sustained our people for generations. It disrupts burial sites, prayer grounds, and traditional plant gathering areas. And it furthers a legacy of extractive colonialism that has long ignored our sovereignty and cultural survival.

No amount of short-term profit can justify the permanent damage to these sacred places. The proposed drilling project would continue the ongoing erasure of Indigenous presence and rights in our own homelands. The BLM has a responsibility - not only under environmental law but also under trust obligations to tribal nations - to deny this project and protect this irreplaceable land for future generations.

We ask that you listen to Indigenous voices. Uphold treaty responsibilities. Protect the sacred.

Sincerely,
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