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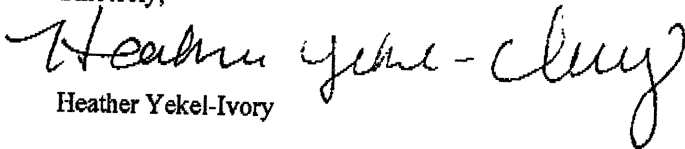
Dear Mr. Gordon,

This letter is in regards to the proposed modification to Chapter 2 of the Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations. My name is Heather Yekel-Ivory and I am an Occupational Therapist for Campbell County School district, and I work with children who have special needs. I am overwhelmingly appose the Citizen Petition for Rulemaking – Powder River Basin Resource Council et al – WQD chapter 2 as both a private citizen and as an advocate for the young children of the State of Wyoming.

The results of this ruling would be devastating to the educational system due to the funding that is provided to education from the states CBM resources. This funding has allowed for the building of new schools, raises for teachers in order to recruit the best teachers to our rural state along with educating staff and teachers on the special needs of student with Autism/Aspberger's syndrome, ADIID, learning disabilities, emotional disturbances, and mental and physical handicaps. I feel that the wellbeing of my students as well as the students around the state would be negatively impacted by the results of the proposed modifications to CBM production regulations.

As a private citizen I cannot even imagine what a rule like this would do to the livelihood of my family, friends and neighbors due to the economic and emotional impact that would result. I would just like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important matter.

Sincerely,

  
Heather Yekel-Ivory