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Mr. Mark Gordon
Wyoming Environmental Quality Council
122 West 25th Street, Herschler Building, Room 1714
Cheyenne, WY 82002

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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director
Environmental Quality Council

Dear Mr. Gordon:

For a multitude of reasons, I am opposed to the proposed section 20 rule changes:

1. This rule/policy would add further regulatory and economic burdens to the CBM industry which is already heavily burdened with regulatory requirements.
2. Appendix H will eliminate a source of water needed by ranchers and have a negative impact on livestock and wildlife needs.
3. Existing uses of CBM produced waters are not protected by this rule/policy.
4. Landowners seeking beneficial use of water suitable for wildlife and livestock may be deprived of the ability to use this water by a single landowner or third party because of the section on "Naturally Irrigated Lands".
5. Ranchers may be prohibited from allowing water to flow down their drainage systems if WYDEQ sets SAR and EC limits that CBM produced water cannot meet.
6. This rule/policy will financially devastate both ranchers and the CBM industry; this devastation will directly translate to an overall decline in the prosperity of the State of Wyoming as a whole.

The complications created from this proposed "solution" will create problems far greater than what the original "problem" ever contained. If approved, this rule/policy will immediately cause significant loss amongst the general populace of Wyoming: loss of jobs/livelihoods, loss of industry, loss of revenue, loss of ranches, loss of livestock, loss of wildlife, etc.

Ultimately, the addenda's of a few individuals with "special interests" should not be permitted to adversely affect the needs of the many individuals who will be severely impacted by the approval of the proposed section 20 rule changes.

Thank you very much for your time and attention.

Sincerely,



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