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Dear Sir.

Our family has been ranchers in Campbell County since 1916, so we know the value of water both for livestock and wildlife. We are very much against what is being proposed with the CBM water. 'We are going into the eighth year of drought so the CBM water has really been a benefit to the stock producers, without this water a good share of them would have had to sell out to only a few head.

The main issue is so many times people sitting on Committees and Councils don't realize that better decisions can be made by the landowners and the companies on site than those who have an agenda. So I strongly recommend working with the ranchers and oil companies on this matter so that everybody comes out a winner instead of a few that their only concern is to hobble our economy and way of life.

Respectively Yours

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