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Terri A. Lorenzon, Director  
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Dear Sir:

**My name is Mitch Burley, I have a small place that has three methane wells on it and have been their for several years as my place is small I opted to have the water piped on to my neighbors place and they have utilized it for watering their livestock , their place is very typical as it has a vast amount of acreage but limited sources for watering their livestock. Their pastures our being utilized and calves our weighing more because of the added water locations that have been developed through CBM. Livestock will only go so far from their water source so a lot of the pasture land was not being utilized until water was developed in different parts of the pasture. This would not be affordable for my neighbor to do by himself. The impact of CBM has been for the most part very good for the range , there is more than enough regulation to protect the environment. The upcoming Citizen petition will kill most CBM projects and a lot of Ranchers will not only lose the great benefit of the water distribution that is being done on their places, they will also lose revenue from surface use agreements as well as mineral royalties. This petition if passed will have a major effect on every person in the state, jobs will be lost, companies will go broke etc. The PRBRC has said they our not against CBM development, but their unreasonable demands speaks for its self. In closing my personal belief is that the benefits of CBM development out weight the negative. I also work for a Company that has CBM development underway and talk regularly with the ranchers in the area and most have really appreciated the benefits from CBM. I ask you for the sake of the Rancher, the CBM employees and the companies they work for and the state itself to turn down the unreasonable demands of the PRBRC.**

Thanks Mitch Burley

