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Wyoming Environmental Quality Council,
Herschler Building,
122 W. 25th St., Rm. 1714,
Cheyenne, WY 82002

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Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary
Environmental Quality Council

Dear Wyoming Environmental Quality Council:

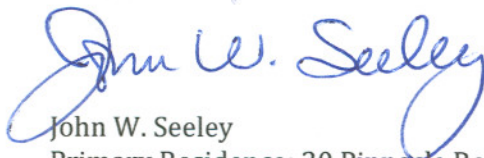
I urge you to declare the petitioned area around Sand Creek as Very Rare or Uncommon under W.S. §35-11-112, Chapter VII of the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Rules of Practice and Procedure and W.S. §16-3-103. There are many reasons that the petitioned area around Sand Creek qualifies as Very Rare or Uncommon for the wildlife, botanical, surface geological, historical and scenic criteria described in Chapter 7 of DEQ's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

My reasons that Sand Creek should be classified as Vary Rare or Uncommon come from the heart--I am a Wyoming taxpayer and share owner of the Sand Creek Country Club. My grandfather built our cabin on Sand Creek over 70 years ago and it has remained in our ever family since. I have vivid childhood memories of the crystal clear water and abundant trout in Sand Creek and the unique scenery and vegetation in the area. It is truly a "one of a kind" place in our country—one I cherish returning to as often as my career and other responsibilities here in Massachusetts allow me to.

Sand Creek could be destroyed by allowing surface and open pit mining to occur there. You have the power to force these companies to look elsewhere to make profit. You have the power to protect this beautiful one of a kind area, protect the quality trout fishery at Ranch A, and protect the value of the water downstream for livestock watering and irrigation uses.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,



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