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Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary
Environmental Quality Council

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DEAR NANCY NUTTBROCK

9/26/2012

PLEASE ACCEPT MY COMMENTS TO WHY IM NOT IN FAVOR OF STRATA
ENERGY ROSS ISL URANIUM PROJECT. I LIVE ON AND CARE ABOUT OUR LAND
IS THE NUMBER ONE REASON BUT TO BE MORE PRECISE READ ON....

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- **Cross contamination of our aquifers can occur due to the thousands of past exploratory drill holes that were improperly capped or plugged.**
- **Contamination of our aquifers can occur during the process, as the concentrated solutions are difficult to control far under ground. According to a congressionally mandated report by the National Research Council, "the primary risk associated with in-situ uranium mining is the potential for contamination of adjacent groundwater".**
- **Even a past Nuclear Regulatory Commission report acknowledges that in-situ uranium mining "tends to contaminate the groundwater". Another NRC document notes that "excursions of the solution cause unintended contamination of the local groundwater."**
- **Holding ponds for treating the toxic solution can overflow, have leaks in the liners, and attract wildlife or livestock if not properly fenced and maintained.**
- **There is a large potential for depletion of our groundwater. Millions of gallons of water are wasted during the processing of uranium solutions. Millions more are wasted in the attempt to restore the water after processing is completed.**
- **To date, no ISL company has been able to restore the groundwater to baseline levels and quality.**
- **The WDEQ does not have the personnel or funding to adequately oversee the large number of ISL sites that are proposed for our county and the state. Therefore these uranium companies will be "self monitoring".**

THANK YOU.

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