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Dear Environmental Quality Council person:

As a former Wyoming resident, of Jackson and Laramie, Wyoming, , I spent a lot of time in the Adobe Town and adjoining areas.. I often wandered around the ancient now vegetated dunes, taking note of the astounding number of Native American artifacts. As an archeologist, I can testify tat this area has incredible cultural value. The desert environment was amazing. I have also gone there to mountain bike and to show my daughter what a pristine environment should look, sound and smell like. So much of Wyoming is now under the crushing wheels of the gas and oil industry, and these lands will never recover, don't let us also lose another last best place.

The beauty of this area, the Haystacks, the Powder Rim, the Willow Creek Rim, all the beauty and pristine quality of these areas lies the vast integration of their environments working together. Please help us save this entire area and these individual areas.

Sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept these comments in support of protection of Adobe Town and its view shed as "Very Rare or Uncommon".

This scenic and unique area is known to have archeological sites of ancient human habitation and critical wildlife habitat for migratory birds, raptors, mule deer, elk, antelope and sage grouse. But perhaps most important to us, as residents of a corner of the state that has suffered both social and environmental impacts of the energy industry, is protection of a scenic area important for solitude and family recreation. We support the petition to protect approximately 180,000 acres in the area, stretching from the Haystacks to the Powder rim, and including the Willow Creek rim and badlands, and the wild country at the foot of the Skull Creek rim.

As the energy industry increases its impact on our lives and landscapes, we find ourselves ranging further from home, from Utah to Montana, to find quiet, pristine refuge. Please protect our own Adobe Town for us and future generations. Thank you.

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