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Dear Sirs: I Believe I should give a little background for myself. I was born at the Memorial Hospital in Rawlins Wyoming April 14th 1943 to Linnie Bruce and Helen Cuiin, both long time Wyoming natives, who ranched and ran businesses in Wyoming most of their lives. I was raised at what is now known as Red Desert Wyoming, eight miles West of Wamsutter and have lived most of my life in Wyoming. (I ran a small business in Utah for 5 years) Ten years ago I never dreamed I would be involved in any movement to slow, mitigate or to attempt to stop any economic development, such as oil and gas drilling. I felt that only the radical environmental groups would do such things. In the past ten years and particularly since I have been employed in the work of producing oil and saw the depth and vastness of the drilling and production programs, with wells numbering in the thousands did I change my mind. This activity of course created roads in the thousands of miles along with thousands of miles of pipelines. The spread of the Halogeten weed is unconscionable. I have asked numerous times to have the different trucks working in the oilfield to be equipped with a GPS system to direct a driver direct to the well one was attempting to find, to no, avail. The blatant disregard and culture of the oilfield with little if no regard for the wild life is unacceptable.

Adobe Town is one of those rare places in Wyoming that will be ruined for eternity if drilling and the roads and pipelines necessary to drill and extract oil and gas are allowed. I have some if not a great deal of relationship with Adobe Town. I have hunted antelope, deer, coyotes, bobcats as well as spent hours photographing Adobe town, the wild horse traps and Delaney Rim for many years. My father actually started Mr. Frank Robbins the famed wild horse gatherer, gathering unbranded or wild horses in the late 1930's during the depression. I and members of my family have recently and years ago went back to the trap that Frank Robbing gathered the famous Desert Dust, which is approximately three miles south of what is known as The Old Man and The Boy Buttes. Some of this trap itself if not all is I am fairly certain is on federal lands. This trap had to be built in the late 1940's, easily making it over fifty years old.

To allow oil and gas activity in this area in my opinion would be not only an environmental mistake; it would be and economic mistake. This area has great potential for recreation that would be lost forever if exploited for drilling.

I have recently taken a new position and cannot be present at this important meeting so I am asking BCA to read this letter for me.

Sincerely



Don Cuiin

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