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TO: Environmental Quality Council
RE: Adobe Town Public Hearing
Date: October 23, 2007

As newcomers to Wyoming, my husband and I are thrilled that there is an active interest in preserving what many Wyomingites who have lived here for years have not seen or think of as the "empty quarter". We spent a few days in the Adobe Town area this past summer. We simply could not believe that this area was not protected from mining and industrial development. Unusual geological formations, unusual views of the land, unusual habitat for critters who live there: a unique area that needs protection that can only be provided by a Very Rare or Uncommon designation by your council. Further, it is our contention that the Bureau of Land Management must follow your lead and prevent leases for gas and oil development from being issued for this area. There is great value in preventing the commercialization of land for the sake of commercialization.

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