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RE: Please allow Snake River Oil & Gas to continue operating

ATTN: Idaho Department of Lands

February 16, 2021

Hello Mick Thomas,

We write to you as two people who have leased mineral rights to Snake River Oil & Gas. The unnecessary regulation of this project is causing the people in this community to suffer. We humbly ask that you allow the project to move forward as soon as possible.

We strongly believe that if Idaho has natural resources that can be used, responsible companies should be allowed to extract them. Not only does this provide our state the benefits that come with providing more jobs and generating more tax revenue, but it also helps keep the United States independent from other nations.

However, not every company is a responsible company. We had negative experiences with another business that was working on a similar project, but since Snake River Oil & Gas took over, they have earned our trust. We have a pipeline running through our place and whenever there was an issue with that pipeline, they covered all the expenses and inconvenience. They are proving themselves to be a great partner to our family, and the community as a whole.

Snake River Oil & Gas is good for business—but not just their own. They often turn to local suppliers when they need products for their operations. This triggers a chain reaction where people in our community can run successful businesses that generate a good income, thus spending more in our local economy. Rural communities like ours depend on these kinds of relationships to thrive.

This year's COVID-19 restrictions came as a huge hit to small businesses, especially in rural areas. Now, more than ever, we would like to see the Idaho Department of Lands showing support for the growth of businesses and the economic benefits that come with it. This is especially true when landowners like us are selling the mineral resources we own to a responsible company like Snake River Oil & Gas. Snake River runs a business where resources are produced and there is zero waste. They are even trying to minimize their footprint by drilling two wells on one pad. These are just more examples of how Snake River is a good partner to our community and the state. The people who do not agree with Snake River Oil & Gas' partnership with our community are people who live outside of it. People from Eagle, Boise and Meridian don't know what is right for the people who live in Payette County. We care about our landscapes and our communities and have thoughtfully made decisions to enhance them. Please consider our thoughts on this project and allow for a timely approval of it.

Signed,

Thomas & Marcia Roland

Payette, Idaho