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ATTN: Mick Thomas

Good afternoon,

I am a landowner in the Barlow Well pool (section) and I have a mineral lease with Snake River Oil & Gas. The lease was originally with Alta Mesa and was acquired by Snake River when Alta Mesa went out of business. My contact with Snake River Oil & Gas is Richard Brown. I've known Richard for several years and have enjoyed the way he has handled business. I would like to encourage the Idaho Department of Lands to allow that business to continue.

When you look at the people who are against this development, many of them are from the Boise metro area, and certainly some from the Payette area. I can say with confidence that people living in Boise and Eagle subdivisions are far enough removed from rural life that they shouldn't tell us how to conduct business. Nor do I see why the people in the Payette area should have a say on how my mineral rights are handled so long as it meets all safety and environmental rules. I am sure the people who live in Payette County are passionate about protecting our landscape, and believe that will be done without sacrificing the success of a responsible business.

I am a farmer, rancher who has lived in Payette County for over 70 years. I was born and raised here, this is home, a home I am proud of. If I thought the Gas and Oil industry was going to cause my home grief I would be opposed to the development of that industry in our area. I think that the county and state may benefit from this industry both in taxation revenue and job creation.

Land/Mineral owners should have the right to decide what they do with the minerals they own. The unnecessary regulation of this development is trying to taking that right away. I would like to see the Idaho Department of Lands allow this development to continue.

Thanks,

Blaine May