

From: [Jo Smith](#)
To: [Kourtney Romine](#)
Subject: Alta Mesa application for oil/gas drilling
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Dear Kourtney

My name is Beverly J Smith. My husband James L Smith and I purchased our home on 10 acres at 8516 Shannon Road on August 1, 2004. We are in the Fallon section. We signed a lease with AM Idaho, LLC, Houston, Texas on September 10, 2014. Our contact was Melanie Morgan who told us we would receive large royalty payments because oil/gas had already been found on a neighbors property and there would be no drilling or damage to our property due to slant drilling. She also told us we should sign because they already had the 55% required signatures to proceed and that only those who signed would be paid the royalties. Of course we found out that it was all lies. We signed the lease because we believed her and now regret signing under pressure.

We want our property rights and values to be protected from oil and gas drilling which would most likely negatively affect our air and water quality. We expect the Idaho Department of Lands to do their jobs and protect our private property rights. Alta Mesa is dishonest and underhanded in convincing homeowners to sign over property rights. Please do not approve their application.

We received a check in the amount of \$1050 from High Mesa Holdings L.P. dated 9/20/ 2019 with a letter stating that "they have elected to extend the primary term of the lease and this check is in consideration for extending the primary term of the lease".

We have not and will not cash the check and will not sign another lease with them.!

Please do not let this greedy company destroy our beautiful Idaho.

Sincerely

Beverly J Smith

Jo Smith