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Comment:

I am a Fruitland resident living across the street from Woodgrain. This means that I am within a mile of the proposed drilling site for a Snake River Oil & Gas Co well. While I don't claim to know everything there is to know about the impact of oil & gas wells and drilling methods, I am a person who evaluates most things in life with logic. Therefore, I have applied logic to the current situation.

It's one thing to see an oil & well in a remote location, but it's quite another thing to see one in my backyard. I quit drinking tap water years ago. I simply don't like the idea of adding multiple chemicals to the water to make it okay to drink. I used to swim in the Snake River (at Farewell Bend). Now, I'm not sure I would wash my hands in it.

Given the current state of our drinking water, I am strongly opposed to adding another potential threat to our water sources. No argument will convince me that there isn't a threat. Further, I live daily with a box of Kleenexes nearby due to my allergies. I have not been able to isolate my allergies to things that I can avoid. So, air quality is another factor that concerns me greatly.

For the reasons listed above, I highly oppose the drilling of an oil & gas well in my backyard. Thanks for taking the time and for considering the input of myself and other citizens who would be impacted by drilling a well at the proposed location.