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Comment:

We are nearby neighbors to the Barlow property that is the site of the #1-14 and the potential site of #2-14 wells and were hopeful that justice and reason finally prevailed when we heard that well #1-14 was being abandoned. Instead we are now surprised and angered that instead of the first well being closed another well is proposed for the site.

There are more reasons than I can reasonably explain in this email why we are so opposed to the wells, but the biggest issue is that from the very beginning of the process there have been misrepresentations, (probably out-right lies), broken promises, and other dishonest practices. The company's intent and the benefits to the landowners, have been shrouded in misinformation and deception, which has led us to have a deeply embedded mistrust of the companies that want to use ours and our neighbors lands (and therefore us) for their own gain without having any consequences or responsibilities for their actions.

We wish to stay and live in this area that has come to mean so much to us and want to be protected from the companies that seem to have no regard for honesty and cannot be trusted to be fair to our interests. Considering their track record, the potential to destroy our way of life and leave the citizens of the area to manage and pay for the problems they create long after they go-down the legal road with their cash-cow (the oil reserves) are unreasonably high unless they are prevented from drilling another well.

It is our hope that our representatives and regulators will stand for us and our neighbors as a barrier between the oil company's predatory ways because we do not have the financial resources to alone fight a behemoth as large as the gas companies. They hope to have an untapped resource (the oil below our land) to make our concerns unheard or seem insignificant. Please do not allow that to happen and make our way of life that we have worked to develop in the Fruitland, ID to be so seriously and adversely effected.