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## Comments

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Dear Ms. Davidson,

I am a resident of New Mexico for 30 years. I am deeply opposed to efforts by the OCD to allow new rules to make it easier for already nearly bankrupt fracking companies to dispose of their toxic waste water on public roads, lands, into rivers and even onto crops. This effort to subsidize a failed polluting industry with our health, our safety, and our tax dollars, in the name of "environmental stewardship," mortgages our children's future, worsens runaway climate chaos, destroys our fresh water and kills the land. Attempts by the governor, the legislature and the oil and gas industry to glamorize and glorify the benefits while ignoring the perils are as felonious, criminal and irresponsible as allowing lead in Detroit's drinking water.

Therefore, I absolutely support suspending the rule making.

- The proposed rules have been too hastily prepared with no meaningful public outreach or pre-rulemaking engagement of the public or impacted communities.
- The Oil Conservation Commission should suspend this rulemaking and direct the Oil Conservation Division to undertake more due diligence, analysis, and outreach before proposing any new regulations regarding produced water.

Sincerely,  
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