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**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I support the application to prohibit PFAS and require disclosure of chemicals used in oil and gas operations  
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Dear Ms. Sheila Apodaca,

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We have been very lax in allowing the widespread use of PFAS and PFOA chemicals without appropriate testing and regulation. These 'forever chemicals' do not break down in the environment and are now everywhere on our planet, including in all of us. There is no excuse for the oil and gas industry to hide their use or to avoid appropriate limitations.

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Sincerely,  
Adam Wasserman  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**From:** [Amanda Bustamante](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Amanda Bustamante  
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**From:** [Catherine S Leslie](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Catherine S Leslie  
Berthoud, CO 80513

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We have known for decades that oil & gas and related chemicals in that industry are lethal to humans. Who doesn't know at least a half dozen friends and relatives with cancer? Cancer is on the rise. Rare cancers are more common.  
Ban the use of PFAS and phase out oil & gas as an energy source. SAVE THE HUMANS.  
Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Chrysa Wikstrom  
1830 Kiva Rd  
Santa Fe, NM 87505



**From:** [Dawn Foster](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Dear Ms. Sheila Apodaca,

Please share my below public comment regarding Case No. 23580 with the Oil Conservation Commissioners:

I am a retired environmental engineer who, during my 25-year career, studied and designed remedies for Federal and State Superfund sites. I know that assessment of known chemicals used at a particular site is absolutely ESSENTIAL to understanding the risk to humans and the environment. As such, I strongly support a prohibition on PFAS and PFOA in oil and gas operations and a requirement to disclose chemicals used in downhole operations because:

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and gas drilling prevent further contamination of New Mexico water with PFAS and any other harmful chemicals that can accumulate in the environment (wildlife, soil, water and air) and harm public health.

Thank you for your sincere consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,  
Dawn Foster  
21 Las Brisas Loop  
Placitas, NM 87043

**From:** [Donna Detweiler](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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1. I teach garden at Kirtland Elementary School and know that many of my students have physical and behavioral health issues that impair their learning, and they do not need any more toxins in their lives to deal with.
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Sincerely,  
Donna Detweiler  
Albuquerque, NM 87106

**From:** [Eva Maria Raepple](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Eva Maria Raeppe  
Santa Fe, NM 87507

**From:** [Faith Garfield](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Faith Garfield  
128 Alamo Dr  
Santa Fe, NM 87501



**From:** [Heidi Brooks](#)  
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I support a prohibition on PFAS and PFOA in oil and gas operations and a requirement to disclose chemicals used in downhole operations for a variety of reasons, all of which center around the fact that without a prohibition, people involuntarily exposed to these persistent chemicals are completely defenseless against the harmful effects of these chemicals. The people at risk cannot effectively protect themselves and their families as individuals; we must act as a society to protect our people and the generations to come. The evidence supporting this conclusion includes the following:

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Heidi Brooks  
Albuquerque, NM 87109

**From:** [James Ewert](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Janet Garcia  
Albuquerque, NM 87106

**From:** [Jean Stevens](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557



**From:** [Jon Klingel](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I support the application to prohibit PFAS and require disclosure of chemicals used in oil and gas operations  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 23, 2024 8:33:16 PM

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Dear Ms. Sheila Apodaca,

I have been a resident of New Mexico for almost 50 years. It seems incredibly obvious that clean water is critical for all the people of the state and the wildlife. Contaminating our water should obviously not be permitted. If one does, then that person or company needs to be held accountable. If you don't know what they put in the water then it is difficult to determine if they contaminated it. The oil and gas industry needs to be held accountable!

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Sincerely,  
Jon Klingel  
47 Star Vista Rd  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**From:** [Keadron Friar](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Keadron Friar  
Santa Fe, NM 87508

**From:** [Linda Lillow](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Linda Lillow  
5117 La Subida St NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87105

**From:** [Lucia Montoya](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I support the application to prohibit PFAS and require disclosure of chemicals used in oil and gas operations  
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Santa Fe, NM 87505



**From:** [Marita Prandoni](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Marita Prandoni  
Santa Fe, NM 87508

**From:** [Michael Lawler](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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The facts are in, the science says it all: we have been and continue to be poisoned purely for profit. How could one human do that to a fellow human? How could a regulatory body allow it to continue? It is time for you to honor your obligation to represent the best interests of your fellow citizens, human brothers and sisters. We are all in this together. Right this wrong for us, and for you too.

Sincerely,  
Michael Lawler  
Albuquerque, NM 87111

**From:** [Naomi Harrison](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] I support the application to prohibit PFAS and require disclosure of chemicals used in oil and gas operations  
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Naomi Harrison  
Santa Fe, NM 87508

**From:** [natasha mayers](#)  
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natasha mayers  
whitefield, ME 04353



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Nav Khalsa  
Santa Fe, NM 87507

**From:** [Pilar Anllo](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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407 Salazar Pl  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

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**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Please share my below public comment regarding Case No. 23580 with the Oil Conservation Commissioners:

I demand absolutely NO PFAS or any of its related chemical compounds be dumped into New Mexico waters.

The alarming rates & types of devastating and life-ending cases of cancer in children and young adults due to PFAS is inexcusable. I demand transparency. Contents in what NMOGA seeks to mix into New Mexico's water thru oil and gas downhole dumps must be revealed. There is no level of exposure to these contaminants that is safe.

Most importantly, the Oil Conservation Commission should ensure that the rules governing oil and gas drilling prevent contamination of New Mexico water with PFAS and any other harmful chemicals that can accumulate in soil and water and harm public health.

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Sincerely,  
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**From:** [William Emery](#)  
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