

**From:** [Carl Struck](#)  
**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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For far too long extractive industries have privatized profits while socializing the cost of clean ups. If the public bears the cost of cleaning up the public should have some control over the chemicals involved. Enough!

Sincerely,  
Carl Struck  
54 Camino Tree Frog  
Vadito, NM 87579

**From:** [Janet Greenwald](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Janet Greenwald  
PO Box 485  
Dixon, NM 87527

**From:** [Jesso Garceau](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Jesso Garceau  
Rio Rancho, NM 87124

**From:** [Kimberly Carroll](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Dear Commissioners,

New Mexico water quality is an issue very important to me and my community. Recently the pristine water quality in Tesuque Village is being threatened by Bishop's Lodge, a local resort. Having begun to deal with that situation, I have come to learn of the greater issues threatening our water state wide. It is unconscionable to me that the state is allowing these health threatening practices by corporations.

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Sincerely,  
Kimberly Carroll  
Tesuque, NM 87574



**From:** [Mark Lagunez](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Mark Lagunez  
7717 Station Ct NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87107

**From:** [Mary Bouajila](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Mary Bouajila  
1000 Las Golondrinas Ct NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87107

**From:** [Sandra and Glenn Griffin](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sandra and Glenn Griffin  
3701 Tracy Cir  
Silver City, NM 88061

**From:** [Sarah Stout](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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I fully support this statement. I ask, with every cellof my being, that there is full disclosure and regulation of the oil and gas companies as stated above. Why else would the companies invest so much and refuse to reveal, unless there was something to hide? I am tired of money and politics taking precedence to the health of New Mexico.

Thank you, Sarah Stout

50 years a New Mexico resident

Sincerely,  
Sarah Stout  
Santa Fe, NM 87505



**From:** [Signe Stuart](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Signe Stuart  
18 Gavilan Rd  
Santa Fe, NM 87508

**From:** [siri soule](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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Thomas Luebben  
Santa Fe, NM 87506

**From:** [William Freimuth](#)  
**To:** [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)  
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