

From: [Ashton Nichols](#)
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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Sincerely,
Ashton Nichols
209 Columbia Dr SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

From: [Barbara Swyden](#)
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Rio Rancho, NM 87124

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Sincerely,
Cynthia Mitchell
Santa Fe, NM 87501

From: [Diane LaFrance](#)
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PFAS IS EVERYWHERE NOW, AND EVERYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE TO CURB MORE OF IT SHOULD BE DONE. OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF HUMANS AND OTHER ANIMALS WILL BEAR THE TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF THESE DEADLY UBIQUITOUS CHEMICALS.

Sincerely,
Diane LaFrance
44 Owens Rd
Silver City, NM 88061

From: [Eden Radfarr](#)
To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
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Eden Radfarr
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87197

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I have met with dairy farmers impacted by PFAS in New Mexico. Their land and their family's health has been compromised and will never recover. PFAS poisoning is forever.

Elizabeth Romero

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Romero
34 Calle El Gancho
Santa Fe, NM 87507

From: [Ellen Ackerman](#)
To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
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808 W Manhattan Ave
Santa Fe, NM 87501

From: [Feleecia Guillen](#)
To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Solicitud para proporcionar un comentario público / Request to Provide Public Comment on 11/12
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Estimada Sheila Apodaca,

Espero que se encuentre bien. Me dirijo a usted para solicitar la oportunidad de proporcionar un comentario público durante la próxima reunión del Oil Conservation Commission. Estoy interesado/a en expresar mis opiniones sobre las regulaciones propuestas y la importancia de prohibir el uso de PFAS en las operaciones de petróleo y gas en Nuevo México.

Estaré presente en persona el martes 12 de noviembre para dar mi comentario. Agradezco la posibilidad de ser incluida en la lista de comentaristas y agradezco de antemano su atención a mi solicitud.

Por favor, hágame saber si necesita alguna información adicional de mi parte.

Gracias por su atención y apoyo en este asunto.

Atentamente,

Feleecia Guillen

Dear Sheila Apodaca,

I hope this finds you well. I am writing to request the opportunity to provide public comment during the upcoming Oil Conservation Commission hearing. I am interested in expressing my views on the proposed regulations and the importance of banning the use of PFAS in oil and gas operations in New Mexico.

I will be present in person on Tuesday, November 12 to provide my comment. I appreciate the opportunity to be included on the comment list and thank you in advance for your attention to my request.

Please let me know if you need any additional information from me.

Thank you for your attention and support in this matter.

Best,
Feleecia Guillen

From: [Grace Williams](#)
To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
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Kermit, WV 25674

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Oceanside, CA 92054

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To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
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Sincerely,
Robert Fischhoff
15 Seton Plz
Santa Fe, NM 87508

From: [Robert Libby](#)
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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Robert Libby
LAS CRUCES, NM 88011

From: [Seneca Johnson](#)
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Hello,

I am writing to sign up for public comment via zoom for the PFAS Rulemaking Application Hearing in the coming week.

Thanks so much!

Best wishes,

Seneca Johnson

From: [Sofia Jenkins-Nieto](#)
To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
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Hi, I would like to sign up in person to comment on Nov 12th.

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From: [Susan Tarman](#)
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It should not be about money, or jockeying for positions in our little lives. It should be about standing up for every New Mexican, the land and animals that we are destroying.

Do the right thing.
Susan Tarman
87501

Sincerely,
Susan Tarman
917 Old Taos Hwy
Santa Fe, NM 87501

From: [Thomas Talbot](#)
To: [Apodaca, Sheila, EMNRD](#)
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Dear Ms. Sheila Apodaca,

I'm asking that you please share the following public comment regarding Case No. 23580 with the Oil Conservation Commissioners:

As an advocate for the environment and animal welfare, I wholeheartedly 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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Sincerely,
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