Ban fracking!!!

Patricia Kay Youngson

May I walk through this day in peace and well being.
May I walk through this day in love and joy.
"Boulder County’s objective is to protect the county’s public health, safety, welfare, and the environment to the maximum extent permitted by law."

Funny thing is that the law really doesn't provide any protections. The law actually empowers commercial business interests to trample people-community Constitutional right. All the public statements to the effect of protecting us from Fracking, or any other industrial practice, is fluff and rhetorical pablum. We're being buttered up to be thrown on the Oil & Gas barbecue and cooked, then invited to participate in the COGA awards dinner.

Sent from my iPhone
From: andrew oconnor <oconnorandrew@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2017 8:48 AM
To: Julia Jackson
Subject: Edited and Corrected Initiative 2017-18 #20

Please find edited and corrected Initiative 2017-18 #20.

There are no substantive changes; just spelling and grammatical corrections.

Thank you.

From: Julia Jackson <Julia.Jackson@state.co.us>
Sent: Friday, March 24, 2017 2:20 PM
To: meandgriff@gmail.com; oconnorandrew@hotmail.com
Cc: Ed DeCecco; Larson Silbaugh; Cathy Eslinger
Subject: Re: Review and Comment Hearing: Initiative 2017-18 #20

We are rescheduling this for 10:00 a.m., given that it is on the last day for Title Board submission. My apologies for the change. Thanks.

New hearing time for Initiative #20, Severance Taxes on Oil and Gas:
Friday, April 7
10:00 a.m.
Senate Committee Room 352 (third floor of the Capitol)

Julia Jackson
Policy and Research Section
Colorado Legislative Council
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Hello,

We have received your proposed initiative, “Severance Taxes on Oil and Gas,” and scheduled a review and comment hearing for Friday, April 7 at 1:30 p.m. in House Committee Room 109. Below is the Colorado Revised Statute regarding attendance of proponents at the review and comment hearings.

At least two days prior to the hearing we will send you a copy of the review and comment memo.

Please feel free to contact our office at 303-866-3521 with any questions.

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1-40-105 (1.5), C.R.S. Both designated representatives of the proponents must appear at all review and comment meetings. If either designated representative fails to attend a meeting, the measure is considered withdrawn by the proponents. If one of the two designated representatives fails to attend the review and comment meeting, the petition is deemed to be automatically resubmitted to the directors of the legislative council and the office of legislative legal services for review and comment, unless the designated representative present objects to the automatic resubmission. No later than five business days after the resubmission, the directors shall conduct a review and comment meeting in accordance with the requirements of this section. If both designated representatives fail to attend the review and comment meeting.
or if the designated representative present objects to the automatic resubmission, the proponents may thereafter resubmit the initiative petition in accordance with subsection (1) of this section.
Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 39-29-101, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

39-29-101. Legislative declaration. (4) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE THAT THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE GENERATED BY ELIMINATING THE TAX CREDIT GIVEN TO OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS FOR PROPERTY TAXES PAID AND CHANGING THE SEVERANCE TAX STRUCTURE IS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE AT THE 2017 GENERAL ELECTION SHALL SUPPLEMENT, RATHER THAN SUPPLANT, CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ENUMERATED PURPOSES AND SHALL BE USED TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC PURPOSES: ESTABLISHING ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INCREASED FUNDING FOR COLORADO PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; RENEWABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY PROJECTS; MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS CAUSED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION IN THOSE COMMUNITIES IMPACTED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION; AND COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS. IT IS THE FURTHER INTENT OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE THAT THE PROGRAMS CURRENTLY FUNDED BY THE SEVERANCE TAX PAID BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS NOT BE ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE GENERATED BY THE CHANGES TO THE SEVERANCE TAX APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE AT THE 2017 GENERAL ELECTION, WHICH IS REFLECTED IN THE DISTRIBUTION SET FORTH IN SECTION 39-29-108 (2.3), C.R.S.

SECTION 2. 39-29-105 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended, and the said 39-29-105 (1) is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH, to read:

39-29-105. Tax on severance of oil and gas. (1) (b) In addition to any other tax, there shall be levied, collected, and paid for each taxable year commencing on or after January 1, 2000, BUT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2018, a tax upon the gross income attributable to the sale of oil and gas severed from the earth in this state: except that oil produced from any wells that
produce fifteen barrels per day or less of oil and gas produced from wells that produce ninety thousand cubic feet or less of gas per day for the average of all producing days for such oil or gas production during the taxable year shall be exempt from the tax. Nothing in this paragraph (b) shall exempt a producer of oil and gas from submitting a production employee report as required by section 39-29-110 (1) (d) (I). The tax for oil and gas shall be at the following rates of the gross income:

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(c) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER TAX, THERE SHALL BE LEVIED, COLLECTED, AND PAID FOR EACH TAXABLE YEAR COMMENCING ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2018, A TAX UPON THE GROSS INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SALE OF OIL AND GAS SEVERED FROM THE EARTH IN THIS STATE; EXCEPT THAT OIL PRODUCED FROM ANY WELLS THAT PRODUCE SEVEN AND ONE HALF BARRELS PER DAY OR LESS OF OIL AND GAS PRODUCED FROM WELLS THAT PRODUCE FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND CUBIC FEET OR LESS OF GAS PER DAY FOR THE AVERAGE OF ALL PRODUCING DAYS FOR SUCH OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE TAX. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH (C) SHALL EXEMPT A PRODUCER OF OIL AND GAS FROM SUBMITTING A PRODUCTION EMPLOYEE REPORT AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 39-29-110 (1) (d) (I). THE TAX FOR OIL AND GAS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS PARAGRAPH (C) SHALL BE AT THE FOLLOWING RATE OF GROSS INCOME:

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SECTION 3. 39-29-105, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

(3) THE PROCEEDS OF THIS TAX RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (c) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON SHALL BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE STATE AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY
SPENDING LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, OR ANY OTHER LAW, AND WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUE THAT MAY BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE STATE OR ANY DISTRICT.

SECTION 4. 39-29-108 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

39-29-108. Allocation of severance tax revenues—definitions—repeal. (1) Except as provided in SUBSECTIONS (2), (2.3), AND (3) of this section, the total gross receipts realized from the severance taxes imposed on minerals and mineral fuels under the provisions of this article shall be credited as follows:

(2) Of the total gross receipts realized from the severance taxes imposed on minerals and mineral fuels under the provisions of this article after June 30, 1981, EXCEPTING THOSE REVENUES LEVIED, COLLECTED, AND PAID BY OPERATION OF SECTION 39-29-105 (1) (C), fifty percent shall be credited to the local government severance tax fund created by section 39-29-110.

(2.3) OF THE TOTAL REVENUES LEVIED, COLLECTED, AND PAID BY OPERATING OF SECTION 39-29-105 (1) (c), TWENTY-TWO PERCENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND CREATED BY SECTION 39-29-109, TWENTY-TWO PERCENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE TAX FUND CREATED BY SECTION 39-29-110, AND THE REMAINING FIFTY-SIX PERCENT SHALL CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND CREATED BY SECTION 39-29-110.5.

SECTION 5. Article 29 of Title 39, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

39-29-110.5. Severance tax stabilization trust fund—creation—administration. (1) (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND. ALL INCOME DEPRIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF THE MONEYS IN THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX
STABILIZATION TRUST FUND. AT THE END OF ANY FISCAL YEAR, ALL UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL REMAIN THEREIN AND SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER FUND. ALL MONEYS IN THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE PURPOSES AND IN THE PROPORTION SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.

(b) THE MONEYS IN THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND BE HELD IN TWO ACCOUNTS, AS FOLLOWS:


(II) The operational account. NINETY PERCENT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX RECEIPTS CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND, PLUS ANY MONEYS REQUIRED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b) SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND.
(2) EACH YEAR THE MONEYS IN THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:

(I) THIRTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INCREASED FUNDING FOR COLORADO PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE STATE’S EXISTING METHOD FOR FUNDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS;

(II) THIRTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS ATTENDING STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-18-102 (10) (a), C.R.S., AND LOCAL DISTRICT COLEGES AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-72-121.5, C.R.S., AND LOCAL DISTRICT COLLEGES AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-72-212.5, C.R.S., TO BE KNOWN AS COLORADO PROMISE SCHOLARSHIPS, AND SHALL BE DIRECTED TOWARDS MAKING HIGHER EDUCATION AFFORDABLE FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS FROM LOWER AND MIDDLE INCOME FAMILIES. THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES AND POLICIES SETTING FORTH THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIPS FUNDED BY THIS PROVISION, TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF SUCH FACTORS AS HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FAMILY SIZE AND ELIGIBILITY FOR OTHER SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND THE INSTITUTION THE STUDENT ATTENDS. THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE CRITERIA FOR OBTAINING AND MAINTAINING A COLORADO PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP.

(III) TWENTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, INCREASES IN ASTHMA, CANCER, IMMUNE SYSTEM DISEASES, COGNITIVE DEFICIENCIES, MISCARRIAGES AND BIRTH DEFECTS ALL PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION;
(IV) TEN PERCENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE CLEAN ENERGY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-75-1201, C.R.S.;

(V) TEN PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION, FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF MAKING SMALL COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER GRANTS AND DOMESTIC WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT SHALL HAVE THE DISCRETION TO DIRECT THAT ANY PORTION OF THE AVAILABLE REVENUES BE REINVESTED AND NOT EXPENDED IN ANY PARTICULAR YEAR.

SECTION 6: 24-75-1201 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

24-75-1201. Clean energy fund-creation-use of fund-definitions. (1) (a) The clean energy fund is created in the state treasury. The principal of the fund shall consist of moneys transferred to the fund at the end of the 2017-18 state fiscal year and at the end of each succeeding state fiscal year from the limited gaming fund created in section 12-47.1-701 (1), C.R.S., in accordance with section 12-47.1-701 (5), C.R.S., from moneys received by the governor’s energy office pursuant to section 39-29-109 (1.5), C.R.S., in accordance with section 39-29-108 (1.5) (h) (VII), C.R.S., AND FROM MONEYS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-29-110.5 (2) (III), C.R.S. Interest and income earned on the deposit and investment of moneys in the clean energy fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund at the end of any state fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not be credited to the state general fund or any other fund.
please ban fracking in Boulder, County.!! This is a nightmare. We will be force to leave a town we love.

Randy's Travel Works, Inc.
http://www.randystravelworks.com
(303) 664-0363
Hello Commissioners,

Just wanted to make sure you had heard about several things that I hope will strengthen the case for banning fracking in Boulder County. First is the Colorado Appeals court saying the state must protect health and environment before allowing oil and gas drilling: [http://www.denverpost.com/2017/03/23/colorado-appeals-court-state-must-protect-health-environment/](http://www.denverpost.com/2017/03/23/colorado-appeals-court-state-must-protect-health-environment/)

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Thus, I think there is plenty of precedent, as well as evidence to support a ban. Hopefully you agree.

Thanks for your time and efforts,
Adam Pastula
Boulder, CO 80301
From:  Wufoo  
To:  Boulder County Board of Commissioners  
Subject:  County Commissioners Contact Us/Feedback Form. [#354]  
Date:  Tuesday, March 28, 2017 3:42:26 PM

Name *  Laura Zungolo

Email *  lcrhoades@aol.com

Phone Number (optional) (303) 884-3652

My Question or Feedback most closely relates to the following subject: (fill in the blank) *

Fracking in Boulder

Comments, Question or Feedback *  Many Organization that I belong to have indicated that Boulder Commissioners are supporting fracking in Boulder. As a mother and a teacher I am very concerned for our environment and for the safety of our residents (especially after CU’s recent study correlating the increase in leukemia in children in areas with fracking and oil, http://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/local-news/cu-study-links-childhood-leukemia-in-colorado-to-oil-and-gas-development). What is Boulder’s stance? What can residence do to stop this assault on our environment?

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Thanks for your time and efforts,

Stuart Paul
Eldorado Springs, CO

We can do this! The people are with you.

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Stuart Paul
Eldorado Springs, Colorado
Hi,

My Name is Clinton Terhune and I support a ban on fracking. Boulder county is the place I was born and raised and I don't want to see it polluted. There are much more important and longer lasting things at stake here than the money that fracking brings. What it leaves behind is not worth letting it happen. Please consider banning it and allowing the plants the animals and the people to avoid the pollution that fracking brings.

Thank You,
Clinton Terhune
Sent from my iPhone
Kim,

I saw the article on NPR station KUNC with your discussion on Fracking regulations.

THANK YOU for pushing back hard on this. Too many times business opportunities tend to run over the simple aspects of quality of life. Nice to know you are fighting to keep a balance on all our behalf.

One aspect I would like to see added into the regulations is for preservation of nighttime skies. I am an amateur astronomer and a member of the Boulder Astronomy Society and the Longmont Astronomy Society. Boulder has a large club and I know we have smaller club but still over a hundred members in Longmont.

We have a use agreement with a rancher in the Pawnee Grasslands east of Fort Collins to use as a wonderful and very dark sight. For years there would be a group there all weekends surrounding the new Moon. However, the pristine skies have been ruined for the last 3-4 years with amazingly brilliant lights of Fracking towers and operations surrounding our sight. We have been unable to use the area.

Please include night sky preservation requirements on any Fracking operations on Boulder County. Let's protect one of the lesser remembered wonderful natural resources of Colorado.

Here's a photo I took last weekend from my farm in Hygiene. I want to be able to keep taking pictures of these faint, beautiful objects In the sky!!

Jim Pollock  
President  
MIT Alumni of Colorado  
12416 N. 63rd St  
Longmont Colorado  
(303) 415-9200
From: Wufoo
To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners
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fracking

**Comments, Question or Feedback * **
Deer Boulder County Commissioners:  
You have stated that you intend to allow fracking into our beautiful community as of May 1.  
You have stated that your hands are tied. Untie them. Do not obey the unjust Oil and Gas Act. The health and safety of your community is at risk.  
Protect your people and ban fracking.

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**Comments, Question or Feedback**

I am holding each of you personally responsible for every new well in Boulder County along with the environmental and health impacts to Boulder County and its citizens. You have thrown us under the bus. Instead of standing strong with us you have sold us out to the oil and gas industry. Regulations are useless. Harm is still harm and you have perpetrated untold harm on Boulder County and you will go down in history as destroying the quality of the environment that has made Boulder County such a wonderful place to live. I don’t know how you sleep at night.

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No fracking in Boulder County, please

**Comments, Question or Feedback * **

I am alarmed and dismayed about the possibility of still more fracking in our beloved Boulder County. I live in Lafayette and am told that our hard–won victory to ban fracking here will possibly overturned. Please do everything in your power to prevent this dangerous practice from further contaminating our water supplies and poisoning our children. Increased leukemia rates fracked communities should be reason enough, but there are plenty more good reasons. Let's focus on solar and other green energy sources and protect our environment while we still have one to protect. Thank you for your service.

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Please read this article by Anthony Hahn. We need a state wide class action lawsuit to stop these monsters in their tracks. A crowdfunded class action lawsuit begun by the people of Colorado; The Citizens of Colorado VS COGCC. Constitutional rights vs Statutory rights. Constitutional Rights supercede the Statutory rights of the company's. We could CROWD FUND a Lawsuit. Please contact me if you are interested in helping to pursue an already developing lawsuit.

Amanda Harper

This article link was mailed to you by: harperdeltufo@earthlink.net *

I thought you might find this article of interest.

Company signals Boulder County fracking plans between Longmont, Lafayette - By Anthony Hahn

Staff Writer

Crestone Peak Resources applied to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission last month with a proposal to drill on roughly 12 square miles of Boulder County land. View Full Story

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Hi,
I am writing to ask what you all know about the exact plans of Crestone Peak Resources and the 216 wells they want to put on 6 sites in my section of Boulder County. I sent you the documents they sent me a month ago and I know new regulations were set up but I would like to talk to you directly about how (if) they will actually protect me. Please contact me at your earliest convenience. Thank you.
Hello Rick,

I received a comment from Ellie Trojio.

She commented that she is very upset to learn in today’s paper (03-31-2017) that there are proposals for 216 wells between HWY 278 and 52. She is pleading wanting to know what the people can do to stop this.

Ellie Trojio
303-652-3433

Thank you,

Alexis Galvan
Boulder County Commissioners’ Office
agalvan@bouldercounty.org
303.441.3500
Dear Commissioners,

The state laws that allow for our communities and ecosystems to be destroyed by fracking are unjust. Slavery was legal. The Holocaust was legal. Courageous people – courageous officials – stood up to these unjust laws. Are we going to let our water, land, and air be poisoned here in Boulder County? Please be courageous. You have so many standing behind you to do the right thing. Ban fracking permanently in Boulder County.

Sincerely,

Sara Avery

Sara Avery
1329 Agape Way
Lafayette, CO 80026
sara.avery@gmail.com | +1.303.489.2431 (m)
Commissioner,

Please do everything you can to stop fracking in the Boulder community.

Thank you,
Grace Poll
My name is Undine Ehrman and I live at 3746 Wonderland Hill Ave. Boulder, CO. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING.

Sincerely
Undine Ehrman
My name is Bruce Westby and I live at 2531 5th Street, Boulder CO 80304.

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No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING and we will work to have any officials removed from office the next time they're up for election. Leave it in the ground!

Thank you for your immediate attention to this problem,

Bruce Westby
My name is Jean Westby and I live at 2531 5th Street, Boulder CO 80304.

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Jean Westby
My name is Heidi Henriksen and I live at 3543 Nyland Way, Lafayette, CO 80026. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff- will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you BAN FRACKING.

Sincerely,

Heidi Henriksen
My name is Antonia Lieb and I live at 4706 Portofino Dr, Longmont, CO 80503. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING.

Sent from my iPhone
My name is Miriam Wells Holley and I live at 8623 E. County Line Rd. Longmont, 80504. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING.

Sent from Miriam
My name is Stephen C Holley and I live at 8623 East County Line Road. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING.

Sent from my iPhone
My name is Frank Rainey. I live in Longmont. As a citizen of Boulder County, I am concerned about maintaining the high standards and quality of living we have in Boulder County. We have these standards and quality because our citizens and our representatives have worked hard and intelligently to protect our environment, both natural and man-made. Oil and gas drilling and development, especially fracking, do not align with our values, and pose a large and long-term threat to our quality of life. Therefore, I urge the Boulder County Commissioners to 1) EXTEND INDEFINITELY THE MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTING NEW APPLICATIONS FOR OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT IN BOULDER COUNTY, and 2) PLACE A BAN ON FRACKING IN THE COUNTY.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.
Just to let you know I fully support the Climate Bill of Rights that was presented to you and expect you to do so as well. I hope you have the conscience and moral backbone to adopt the Climate Bill of Rights. Failure to do so will continue to make your tenure the worst in the history of the county. Do you have children? Do you have grandchildren? Do you plan to leave them a planet that is unlivable? Think about the future of Boulder County.

Your power comes from the consent of the governed and the vast majority of the governed do not want any polluting industry in Boulder County. It is up to you to follow the lead of the people. The time is now. Please develop courage. If it was not for women in the past who had the courage to break unjust laws you would not be able to vote, much less sit in the positions you do. Do not undermine all that has been done for you by the suffragists. Do not turn into ‘good old boys’. This is a moral issue. Where your morality lies is how you will be remembered.

"No more gasholes in Boulder County".

Jim Wilson
My name is Ruth A Remple and I live at 2954 Spinnaker Place, Longmont, CO.

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You are receiving this email because you are an elected official in Boulder County—and I’d like to know how you feel about this.

I’m concerned because the dirtiest and most disruptive energy company in the entire state of Colorado is poised to begin fracking in Boulder County May 1st. The location is 12 townships located between County Line Road (East) to past 287 (West), and Oxford Rd (North) almost to Jasper Rd (South).

https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?ll=40.08731781636557%2C-105.0837821500001&spn=0.144553%2C0.290794&hl=en&t=h&msa=0&z=13&ie=UTF8&mid=1x_xcASOXFn3TxFdUybLx98GevQU

CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES is responsible for a full 53% of total complaints in the state of Colorado, that’s 127 complaints from November 15, 2016 until today. There is an alarming number of complaints for odor—strong chemical odors that indicate airborne toxins that are certainly affecting the health of nearby residents. Additional complaints are for noise, lighting, lack of response and garbage left along roads.

November 15, 2016 is an important date because that is the date that complaints listed on the COGCC complaints search tool (https://cogcc.state.co.us/complaints2.html#/searchcomplaints) begin being attributed to CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES rather than ENCANA. ENCANA sold all of its Denver Julesberg (DJ) Basin acreage to CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES, comprising 51,000 net acres, in 2016 for $900 million. So CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES has assumed the operations of ENCANA in the DJ Basin. There is a 5850% increase in complaints attributed to Crestone/Encana during the four months before and after the November 15, 2016 date.


So why does a Canadian Company have the right to come into our local communities and pollute the air, water and eco-systems; damage public health and serenity; and contribute to global warming so Canadians can reap the profits of our communities destruction.

Also the new CEO of Crestone, TONY BUCHANAN was most recently was executive vice president and chief operating officer at Bonanza Creek Energy. Bonanza Creek Energy went bankrupt—they claim this was the result of declining oil prices, but leadership failed to predict the decline and left shareholders and creditors hanging for $850 million, shareholders equity went from 100% to 4.5%. And who was left to clean everything up—local communities? http://ir.bonanzacrk.com/phoenix.zhtml?c=246947&p=irol-newsArticle&ID=2231587

DATA

ONLINE TOOL (Inspection NOAV Complaint Spill/Release Remediation MIT) https://cogcc.state.co.us/complaints2.html#/searchcomplaints
It appears that all Encana complaints are attributed to Crestone in searches—11/15/16 is the date where Crestone name appears on individual records.

**COMPLAINTS**
3/5/17 to 4/5/17=12  
2/5/17 to 3/5/17=36  
1/5/17 to 2/5/17=16  
12/5/16 to 1/5/17=58

**COMPLAINTS 2 months before and after sale**  
9/15/16 to 11/15/16=2  
11/15/16 to 1/15/17=67  
3350% increase  
ALL O&G in the state MINUS CRESTONE  
9/15/16 to 11/15/16=37-2=35  
11/15/16 to 1/15/17=113-67=46  
130% increase

**COMPLAINTS 4 months before and after sale**  
CRESTONE  
7/15/16 to 11/15/16=2  
11/15/16 to 3/15/17=117  
5850% increase  
ALL O&G in the state MINUS CRESTONE  
7/15/16 to 11/15/16=70-2=68  
11/15/16 to 3/15/17=212-117=95  
114% increase

**COMPLAINTS**  
**PAST 5 months from 11/15/16 to 4/5/17**  
ALL complaints=240  
CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES=127  
So Crestone is 53% of the total (IN THE ENTIRE STATE)

**COMPLAINTS**  
**PAST 1 YEAR from 4/2/16 to 4/2/17**  
ALL complaints=412  
CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES=129  
So Crestone is 31% of the total (IN THE ENTIRE STATE)

**MARKED INCREASE IN COMPLAINTS STARTING IN DECEMBER 2016. TELLS ME THESE GUYS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE.**

**PAST 2 YEARS from 4/2/15 to 4/2/17**  
ALL complaints=722  
CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES=135  
So Crestone is 18.7% of the total

**PAST 5 YEARS from 4/2/12 to 4/2/17**  
ALL complaints=1408
CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES=224
So Crestone is 16% of the total

SPILLS
PAST 1 YEAR from 4/2/16 to 4/2/17
ALL spills=544
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY=18
So Bonanza is 3% of the total

PAST 2 YEARS from 4/2/15 to 4/2/17
ALL spills=1156
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY=33
So Bonanza is 3% of the total

PAST 5 YEARS from 4/2/12 to 4/2/17
ALL spills=3099
BONANZA CREEK ENERGY=96
So Bonanza is 3% of the total

Stop CRESTONE PEAK RESOURCES. You can surely deny a permit to a foreign entity that is displaying gross negligence. Can you not?

Ban fracking now!

#dirtygas
#wildcats
#banfrackingboulder
#protectorpoison

Stuart Paul
Eldorado Springs, Colorado
From: andrew oconnor <oconnorandrew@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 2:41 PM
To: Julia Jackson
Subject: Corrected and Edited Proposed Initiative 2017-18 #20

Ms. Jackson,

Please find attached corrected and edited Proposed Initiative 2017-18 #20, for your review.

If you have further suggested edits or corrections then please let me know. Thank you.

Andrew J. O'Connor

From: Julia Jackson <Julia.Jackson@state.co.us>
Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 10:10 AM
To: oconnorandrew@hotmail.com; meandgriff@gmail.com
Subject: Review and Comment Memos for Initiative 2017-18 #20

Mr. O'Connor and Ms. Henry,

Attached please find the review and comment memo for Initiative 2017-18 #20. As a reminder, your review and comment hearing is scheduled for Friday, April 7, at 10:00 a.m. in Senate Committee Room 352, located on the third floor of the State Capitol.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Julia Jackson
Policy and Research Section
Colorado Legislative Council
303-866-4788
julia.jackson@state.co.us
1-40-105 (1.5), C.R.S. Both designated representatives of the proponents must appear at all review and comment meetings. If either designated representative fails to attend a meeting, the measure is considered withdrawn by the proponents. If one of the two designated representatives fails to attend the review and comment meeting, the petition is deemed to be automatically resubmitted to the directors of the legislative council and the office of legislative legal services for review and comment, unless the designated representative present objects to the automatic resubmission. No later than five business days after the resubmission, the directors shall conduct a review and comment meeting in accordance with the requirements of this section. If both designated representatives fail to attend the review and comment meeting or if the designated representative present objects to the automatic resubmission, the proponents may thereafter resubmit the initiative petition in accordance with subsection (1) of this section.
PROPOSED INITIATIVE MEASURE 2017-2018 #20

SEVERANCE TAX

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-29-101, amend as follows:

39-29-101. Legislative declaration. (4) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE THAT THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE GENERATED BY ELIMINATING THE TAX CREDIT GIVEN TO OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS FOR PROPERTY TAXES PAID AND CHANGING THE SEVERANCE TAX STRUCTURE IS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE AT THE 2017 GENERAL ELECTION SHALL SUPPLEMENT, RATHER THAN SUPPLANT, CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ENUMERATED PURPOSES AND SHALL BE USED TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC PURPOSES: ESTABLISHING ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INCREASED FUNDING FOR COLORADO PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; RENEWABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY PROJECTS; MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS CAUSED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION IN THOSE COMMUNITIES IMPACTED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION; AND COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS. IT IS THE FURTHER INTENT OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE THAT THE PROGRAMS CURRENTLY FUNDED BY THE SEVERANCE TAX PAID BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS NOT BE ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE GENERATED BY THE CHANGES TO THE SEVERANCE TAX APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE AT THE 2017 GENERAL ELECTION, WHICH IS REFLECTED IN THE DISTRIBUTION SET FORTH IN SECTION 39-29-108 (2.3), C.R.S.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-29-105 (1) (b), amend as follows:

39-29-105. Tax on severance of oil and gas. (1) (b) In addition to any other tax, there shall be levied, collected, and paid for each taxable year commencing on or after January 1,
2000, BUT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2018, a tax upon the gross income attributable to the sale of oil and gas severed from the earth in this state: except that oil produced from any wells that produce fifteen barrels per day or less of oil and gas produced from wells that produce ninety thousand cubic feet or less of gas per day for the average of all producing days for such oil or gas production during the taxable year shall be exempt from the tax. Nothing in this paragraph (b) shall exempt a producer of oil and gas from submitting a production employee report as required by section 39-29-110 (1) (d) (I). The tax for oil and gas shall be at the following rates of the gross income:

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(c) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER TAX, THERE SHALL BE LEVIED, COLLECTED, AND PAID FOR EACH TAXABLE YEAR COMMENCING ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2018, A TAX UPON THE GROSS INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SALE OF OIL AND GAS SEVERED FROM THE EARTH IN THIS STATE; EXCEPT THAT OIL PRODUCED FROM ANY WELLS THAT PRODUCE SEVEN AND ONE HALF BARRELS PER DAY OR LESS OF OIL AND GAS PRODUCED FROM WELLS THAT PRODUCE FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND CUBIC FEET OR LESS OF GAS PER DAY FOR THE AVERAGE OF ALL PRODUCING DAYS FOR SUCH OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE TAX. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH (C) SHALL EXEMPT A PRODUCER OF OIL AND GAS FROM SUBMITTING A PRODUCTION EMPLOYEE REPORT AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 39-29-110 (1) (d) (I). THE TAX FOR OIL AND GAS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS PARAGRAPH (C) SHALL BE AT THE FOLLOWING RATE OF GROSS INCOME:

$300,000 AND OVER 10% OF TOTAL GROSS INCOME

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes 39-29-105, amend as follows:

(3) THE PROCEEDS OF THIS TAX RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (c) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION AND INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON SHALL BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE
STATE AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION, OR ANY OTHER LAW, AND WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUE THAT MAY BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE STATE OR ANY DISTRICT.

SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-29-108 amend (1) introductory portion and (2); and add (2.3) as follows:

39-29-108. Allocation of severance tax revenues---definitions---repeal. (1) Except as provided in SUBSECTIONS (2), (2.3), AND (3) of this section, the total gross receipts realized from the severance taxes imposed on minerals and mineral fuels under the provisions of this article shall be credited as follows:

(2) Of the total gross receipts realized from the severance taxes imposed on minerals and mineral fuels under the provisions of the this article after June 30, 1981, EXCEPTING THOSE REVENUES LEVIED, COLLECTED, AND PAID BY OPERATION OF SECTION 39-29-105 (1) (C), fifty percent shall be credited to the local government severance tax fund created by section 39-29-110.

(2.3) OF THE TOTAL REVENUES LEVIED, COLLECTED, AND PAID BY OPERATING OF SECTION 39-29-105 (1) (c), TWENTY-TWO PERCENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND CREATED BY SECTION 39-29-109, TWENTY-TWO PERCENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE TAX FUND CREATED BY SECTION 39-29-110, AND THE REMAINING FIFTY-SIX PERCENT SHALL CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND CREATED BY SECTION 39-29-110.5.

OF ANY FISCAL YEAR, ALL UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONIES IN THE
FUND SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR
TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER FUND. ALL MONIES IN
THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST
FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE PURPOSES
AND IN THE PROPORTION SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.”

(b) THE MONIES IN THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND BE
HELD IN TWO ACCOUNTS, AS FOLLOWS:

(I) The perpetual base account. TEN PERCENT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX RECEIPTS
CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX RECEIPTS CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE
TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND AND THE INTEREST GENERATED THEREON
SHALL BE RETAINED IN THE PERPETUAL BASE ACCOUNT. THE MAXIMUM
BALANCE IN THE PERPETUAL BASE ACCOUNT SHALL BE ONE HUNDRED AND
TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR’S REVENUE CREDITED
TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION
39-29-108 (2.3). IN ANY YEAR IN WHICH THE BALANCE OF THE PERPETUAL BASE
ACCOUNT EXCEEDS ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE
PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR’S REVENUE TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION
TRUST FUND, THE INTEREST GENERATED BY THE PERPETUAL BASE ACCOUNT
AND MONIES IN EXCESS OF ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE
PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR’S REVENUE TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION
TRUST FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE
SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND.

(II) The operational account. NINETY PERCENT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX
RECEIPTS CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND,
PLUS ANY MONIES REQUIRED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE OPERATIONAL
ACCOUNT PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b) SHALL BE
CREDITED TO THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX
STABILIZATION TRUST FUND.
(2) EACH YEAR THE MONIES IN THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:

(I) FOURLTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF ETABLISHING ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN IN COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INCREASED FUNDING FOR COLORADO PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE STATE’S EXISTING METHOD FOR FUNDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS;

(II) THIRTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS ATTENDING STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-18-102 (10) (a), C.R.S., TO BE KNOWN AS COLORADO PROMISE SCHOLARSHIPS, AND SHALL BE DIRECTED TOWARDS MAKING HIGHER EDUCATION AFFORDABLE FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS FROM LOWER AND MIDDLE INCOME FAMILIES. THE COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ESTABLISH GUIDELINES AND POLICIES SETTING FORTH THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIPS FUNDED BY THIS PROVISION, TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF SUCH FACTORS AS HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FAMILY SIZE AND ELIGIBILITY FOR OTHER SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND THE INSTITUTION THE STUDENT ATTENDS. THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE CRITERIA FOR OBTAINING AND MAINTAINING A COLORADO PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP.

(III) TWENTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, INCREASES IN ASTHMA, CANCER, IMMUNE SYSTEM DISEASES, COGNITIVE DEFICIENCIES, MISCARRIAGES AND BIRTH DEFECTS ALL PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION;

(V) TEN PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION, FOR
THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF MAKING SMALL COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER GRANTS AND DOMESTIC WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT SHALL HAVE THE DISCRETION TO DIRECT THAT ANY PORTION OF THE AVAILABLE REVENUES BE REINVESTED AND NOT EXPENDED IN ANY PARTICULAR YEAR.
Hello,

I am writing to express my outrage at the Boulder County Commissioners who have approved the fracking regulations for Boulder County on March 23rd.

The Boulder County moratorium expires MAY 1st!!!

No fracking in Boulder County!!!

This is the will of the people who elected you, the Commissioners.

LISTEN TO WHAT WE WANT!!!!!

Hilary Boslet
Mr. O'Connor,

I received your filing for Title Board. The Board will meet on Wednesday, April 19 to discuss your initiative. Stamped copies of the text are attached to this message along with a copy of the filing receipt. A accepted your highlighted version of the text as the amended text.

A summary of the designated representatives' responsibilities is also attached to this message. Please note that both designated representatives will need to be available all day on Wednesday, April 19 for the Title Board hearing. A formal meeting notice with the time will be sent on Wednesday, April 12. Both designated representatives will be required to attend a rehearing if one takes place. That rehearing can occur on Thursday, April 27 or Friday, April 28.

Thank you,

Steven Ward
Colorado Department of State
Elections Division
303-894-2200 x6318
steven.ward@sos.state.co.us
Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 39-29-101, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

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SECTION 5. Article 29 of Title 39, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

39-29-110.5. Severance tax stabilization trust fund—creation—administration. (1) (a) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND. ALL INCOME DEPRIVED FROM THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF THE MONEYS IN THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX
STABILIZATION TRUST FUND. AT THE END OF ANY FISCAL YEAR, ALL UNEXPENDED AND UNENCUMBERED MONEYS IN THE FUND SHALL REMAIN THEREIN AND SHALL NOT BE CREDITED OR TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OR ANY OTHER FUND. ALL MONEYS IN THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE PURPOSES AND IN THE PROPORTION SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION.

(b) THE MONEYS IN THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND BE HELD IN TWO ACCOUNTS, AS FOLLOWS:


(II) The operational account. NINETY PERCENT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX RECEIPTS CREDITED TO THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND, PLUS ANY MONEYS REQUIRED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT PURSUANT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b) SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND.
(2) EACH YEAR THE MONEYS IN THE OPERATIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE
SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS
FOLLOWS:

(I) THIRTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE
PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN IN COLORADO PUBLIC
SCHOOLS AND INCREASED FUNDING FOR COLORADO PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE STATE’S
EXISTING METHOD FOR FUNDING PUBLIC SCHOOLS;

(II) THIRTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE
PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS ATTENDING STATE
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-18-102 (10) (a),
C.R.S., AND LOCAL DISTRICT COLLEGES AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-72-121.5,
C.R.S., AND LOCAL DISTRICT COLLEGES AS DEFINED BY SECTION 23-72-212.5,
C.R.S., TO BE KNOWN AS COLORADO PROMISE SCHOLARSHIPS, AND SHALL BE
DIRECTED TOWARDS MAKING HIGHER EDUCATION AFFORDABLE FOR
COLORADO RESIDENTS FROM LOWER AND MIDDLE INCOME FAMILIES. THE
COLORADO COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ESTABLISH
GUIDELINES AND POLICIES SETTING FORTH THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR
SCHOLARSHIPS FUNDED BY THIS PROVISION, TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF
SUCH FACTORS AS HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FAMILY SIZE AND ELIGIBILITY FOR
OTHER SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND THE INSTITUTION THE
STUDENT ATTENDS. THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH ACADEMIC
PERFORMANCE CRITERIA FOR OBTAINING AND MAINTAINING A COLORADO
PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP.

(III) TWENTY PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF MEDICAL CARE AND
TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS, INCLUDING,
BUT NOT LIMITED TO, INCREASES IN ASTHMA, CANCER, IMMUNE SYSTEM
DISEASES, COGNITIVE DEFICIENCIES, MISCARRIAGES AND BIRTH DEFECTS ALL
PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION;
(IV) TEN PERCENT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE CLEAN ENERGY FUND CREATED IN SECTION 24-75-1201, C.R.S.;

(V) TEN PERCENT SHALL BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION, FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF MAKING SMALL COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER GRANTS AND DOMESTIC WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT SHALL HAVE THE DISCRETION TO DIRECT THAT ANY PORTION OF THE AVAILABLE REVENUES BE REINVESTED AND NOT EXPENDED IN ANY PARTICULAR YEAR.

SECTION 6: 24-75-1201 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

24-75-1201. Clean energy fund-creation-use of fund-definitions. (1) (a) The clean energy fund is created in the state treasury. The principal of the fund shall consist of moneys transferred to the fund at the end of the 2017-18 state fiscal year and at the end of each succeeding state fiscal year from the limited gaming fund created in section 12-47.1-701 (1), C.R.S., in accordance with section 12-47.1-701 (5), C.R.S., from moneys received by the governor’s energy office pursuant to section 39-29-109 (1.5), C.R.S., in accordance with section 39-29-108 (1.5) (h) (VII), C.R.S., AND FROM MONEYS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-29-110.5 (2) (III), C.R.S. Interest and income earned on the deposit and investment of moneys in the clean energy fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund at the end of any state fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not be credited to the state general fund or any other fund.
RECEIPT

To: Andrew O'Connor and Mary Henry

Date: April 7, 2017

Re: Proposed Initiative 2017-2018 #20

Time: 1:13 p.m.

The Secretary of State’s office on this day received from Andrew O'Connor, a copy of the original text, amended text, and final text of proposed initiative 2017-2018 #20.

Secretary of State’s Office

By Steven M. Ward, Elections Division
Designated Representatives

A summary of designated representatives’ responsibilities under Colorado’s initiative and referendum laws

The following summary has been prepared by the Secretary of State as required by law and is meant as a reference guide only. Designated representatives should consult Article 40 of Title 1 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

“Designated Representative” Defined [Sections 1-40-104, and 1-40-102(3.7), C.R.S.]
When the initiative proponents file a draft text of the proposed initiative with legislative staff for review and comment, the proponents must designate the names and mailing addresses of two people who will represent the proponents in all matters affecting the petition and to whom all notices and information concerning the petition will be delivered. These people are defined as the “designated representatives.”

Responsibilities During the Title Board Process [Section 1-40-106, C.R.S.]
Each designated representative must appear at any Title Board meeting during which the designated representatives’ proposed initiative is to be heard, including rehearsings.

Notarized Affidavit of Designated Representatives
- At the first Title Board meeting, the Secretary of State will provide each designated representative with an affidavit form, on which the designated representative must affirm that he or she is familiar with the provisions of Article 40 of Title 1, C.R.S., including but not limited to:
  - The prohibition on circulators’ use of false addresses in completing circulator affidavits; and
  - The requirements contained in this summary of designated representatives’ responsibilities.
- Each designated representative must include on the affidavit form his or her physical address at which legal process may be served.
- Each designated representative must also include an email address to which all correspondence will be sent, unless the designated representative requests correspondence via mail.
- The Secretary of State will provide a notary public for the designated representatives at the Title Board meeting.
- To ensure a prompt start time, designated representatives should arrive early to the Title Board meeting in order to sign and file the affidavit.

Failure to Appear at a Meeting of the Title Board
If either designated representative fails to appear at a Title Board meeting or fails to file the affidavit, the Title Board will not set a title for the proposed initiative. In this event, the Title Board may consider the proposed initiative at its next meeting, but both designated representatives must comply with the requirements that they appear at that meeting and complete the affidavit.

Filing the Petition Format [Section 1-40-113, C.R.S.]
The designated representatives must file a hard copy of the petition format with the Secretary of State for approval before the petition may be circulated. The Secretary of State will notify the designated representatives within 48 hours whether the petition format is approved.

Filing the Completed Petition [Section 1-40-113 (3), C.R.S.]
Both designated representatives must file the completed petition with the Secretary of State in accordance with section 1-40-113(3), C.R.S. Both representatives must be present when the petition is filed with the Secretary of State.

Curing an Insufficient Petition [Section 1-40-117(3)(b), C.R.S.]
If the Secretary of State issues a statement of insufficiency, the designated representatives may cure the insufficiency by adding additional signatures through an addendum the designated representatives must file the addendum:
- Within 15 days after the insufficiency is declared; and
- No later than three months before the election at which the initiative is to be voted on.
Both representatives must be present when the addendum is filed with the Secretary of State.
Filing a List of Circulators and Notaries Related to Petition Circulation [Section 1-40-111(4), C.R.S.]  
When the designated representatives file the completed petition with the Secretary of State, they must also submit a list that includes:

• The names and addresses of all circulators who circulated petition sections;
• The names of all notaries public who notarized petition sections; and
• The petition section numbers that each circulator circulated and that each notary public notarized.

If the designated representatives fail to provide a list, the Secretary of State will prepare the list. The Secretary of State will then charge the designated representatives a fee, which shall be determined and collected pursuant to section 24-21-104(3), C.R.S. to cover the cost of the preparation.

Filing a Report of Expenditures Related to Petition Circulation [Section 1-40-121, C.R.S.]  
No later than 10 days after the petition has been submitted to the Secretary of State, the designated representatives must sign and file an expenditure report with the Secretary of State that includes:

• The dates of circulation by all circulators who were paid to circulate a petition section;
• The total hours for which each circulator was paid to circulate a petition section;
• The gross amount of wages paid for each circulator;
• Any addresses used by circulators on their affidavits that the designated representatives or their agents have determined, prior to petition filing, to be false addresses; and
• Any other expenditure made by any person or issue committee related to the circulation of petitions for signatures, including the name of the person or issue committee that made the expenditure and the amount of the expenditure.

Complaint by a Registered Elector  
Within 10 days after the expenditure report is filed, a registered elector may file a complaint alleging a violation of the requirements for the report.

• The designated representatives may cure any alleged violation by filing a new report or an addendum to the original report within 10 days after the date the complaint is filed.
• If the violation is not cured, an administrative law judge must conduct a hearing on the complaint within 14 days after the date of the additional filing or the deadline for the additional filing, whichever is sooner.
  o If the administrative law judge determines that the designated representatives intentionally violated the reporting requirements, the designated representatives will be subject to a penalty that is equal to three times the amount of any expenditure that was omitted from or erroneously included in the report.
  o If the administrative law judge determines that the designated representatives intentionally misstated or omitted a material fact in the report, or never filed a report, the registered elector who filed the complaint may commence a civil action to recover reasonable attorney fees and costs from the designated representatives.

Withdrawal of an Initiative Petition [Section 1-40-134, C.R.S.]  
The designated representatives may withdraw the petition from consideration as a ballot issue by filing a letter with the Secretary of State requesting that the petition not be placed on the ballot. The letter must be signed and notarized by both designated representatives and must be filed no later than sixty days before the election at which the initiative is to be voted upon.
My name is Angela Giustina and I live at 1950 Riverside Ave, Boulder, CO 80304. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING.
Thanks for your service for our community.

I realize this is a complicated legal issue.

Please protect the health and wellbeing of the public.

And our water!!

Our health and our lands and our water are more important than fracking profits.

And please also pass the climate bill of rights.

Thank you.

Wishing you all the best,

Jennifer Marie Shriver
303-247-1622

Be a lamp or a lifeboat or a ladder. Help someone's soul heal. Walk out of your house like a shepherd. - Jalaluddin Rumi
Boulder County Commissioners,

As fracking season approaches and commences, I suggest that a most appropriate use of Open Space funds, which we've all paid as taxes for decades now, is for legal costs of protecting our Open Space from fracking.

Bart Windrum
Shanahan Ridge
Boulder
Do we care about water and air? I do. I know a lot of people in Boulder County do. Stand up for water against Crestone Group. Represent the people. Protect the water.

If you respond speaking about lawsuits and you give in to oil, you're saying you don't care about the water, you don't care about the planet and you don't care about humanity. Please show me you do. Ban Fracking in Boulder County for human rights.
as a citizen of boulder county I am demanding that you use open space funds to hire outside council to defend open space

Jay D Schaeffer
Namaste
jaybikedt@gmail.com
My name is Derek Buranen and I live up on Shanahan Ridge in south Boulder. We have spoken clearly on the issue of oil and gas development and it is resolved that we do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. It is a violation of our land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. Any attempt to forcefully move fracking into Boulder County is a violation of our fundamental rights. The laws that seek to remove us from control of our land, our local environment, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate. We have the right and obligation to protect our climate, our environment, our families, and our communities. All government officials and staff will be asked to side with the people in every capacity, refuse to administer the destruction of our land, and enforce the will of the community to protect ourselves from any intrusive industry that fails to recognize these fundamental rights. No more moratoriums. We demand that you to BAN FRACKING.

Protect our winters. Protect our waters. Ban Fracking!
Dear County Commissioners,

I support using outside council to protect our open space from fracking. We cannot have it both ways. On the one hand a generous flow of tax revenue to protect and preserve open space, and on the other hand fracking. It’s not okay in Weld County and it’s not okay here in Boulder County. Please consider the hidden long-term mitigation costs associated with these boom and bust projects, the water and air pollution, the habitat impacts, and the overall quality of life issues. Please take whatever action is necessary, including collaboration with citizen groups and their legal strategies, to turn back the tide on fracking. This is the leading edge of the shift to a non-fossil fuel economy and a livable future.

Sincerely,

Scott Brown
4496 Ashfield Dr.
Boulder 80301
Please use open space funds to hire outside council to defend our open space. Let’s fight “Crestone” with all the tools we have.

Thank You,
Harv Wellman
I am very concerned about this application. Will the county be disagreeing with the application and will the County attend this hearing to object to the application?

My primary concerns are:
1. Encana (now Crestone) drilled in our Erie neighborhood in 2007 and have yet to restore the Allen H Well site. I filed a complaint with the COGCC last year and they are monitoring this now.

2. There application mailing to our house was very incomplete and seemed to purposely have poor maps making it difficult to see their plan, had color coding (yellow) with no explanation and provides none of the details their mailing indicated would be in a complete application.

3. Our neighborhood has been under almost annual drilling since 2007. Each "plan" of time was not accurate and always goes on longer than their plan. It would seem that there is now accuracy in the previous filing, why should we believe them now, and why should COGCC allow them to advance with no true identification of how and where the wells will impact the residents.

Is there value in citizens going to the hearing, or is this activity just window dressing where no public input will have any effect.

Sincerely,

Timothy Larsen
1313 Lombardi St.
Erie, CO 80516
303-828-4637
tim@tclarsen.com
From: Wufoo
To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners
Subject: County Commissioners Contact Us/Feedback Form. [#384]
Date: Thursday, April 13, 2017 12:17:26 PM

Name: Sandra Garcia
Email: se_garcia@access4less.net

My Question or Feedback most closely relates to the following subject: (fill in the blank) * Fracking

Comments, Question or Feedback *

Please help keep fracking from Boulder Co. Boulder has 100 million dollars set aside for open space protection.
What better way to protect our county land than by preventing fracking?
Fracking is the only industry that takes water out of our global water system permanently.
Methane released from gas wells is more potent toward green house gas than coal.
The current request is for 200 wells in Boulder County. Imagine what this will do to our air quality,
our water resources and potential real estate values.
Let Boulder County be the leader in renewable energy, not polluting our beautiful home.

Please check box below *

- I acknowledge receipt of the Open Records Notification
Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to you to oppose fracking in Boulder County. The danger of this practice has been proven time and again. I can only imagine the consequences of long term fracking. This practice has no place in beautiful Boulder County. The only good that will come of it is that housing values will plummet and people will move away to more ecologically progressive areas. Please do all you can to vigorously oppose fracking.
To my county commissioners:

Please protect our open space from fracking and any other industrial uses. This land was purchased by the county taxpayers for the specific purpose of protection and enjoyment by us, the taxpayers. Please uphold this essential contract with the people of Boulder County by any means possible.

Thank you,

Meghan Van Vleet, ND

3970 N. Broadway #105
Boulder, CO 80304
720-340-0193
www.harmonymed.com
Please do not allow Fracking companies access to our land. It is not safe, it will destroy our land for now and future generations. Do not allow the profit margins of wealthy oil and gas companies to override the public interest.

Sincerely,

Gaby Wienburg

Sent from my iPhone
Hello Commissioners,

As a Boulder County resident for 10+ years, I am not happy to hear there are plans for fracking on Boulder County Open Space.

This open space is paid for by tax payers like myself. The millions of dollars should be enough to conserve this beautiful land. Please don't let industrial energy greed take that from us along with the health and other risk associated with deep fissure fracking. i.e. Water waste, contamination, earthquakes, and not to mention the depletion of the open space.

We have enough economic development and taxes being paid to keep the economy going and attracting people and green business just fine!

Sincerely.

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Christopher Algea
Keep up the good work! Thank you for protecting Boulder County.
Amanda Smith
80304
Re: Opposition to 216 wells to be drilled on Boulder County Open Space a Public Lands

Dear County Commissioners,

Boulder county residents, through taxes, invested over $100,000,000 in this open space, for very specific purposes - which do not include drilling for oil and gas.

Please fund a lawsuit that protects Boulder County Open Space from being fracked for oil and gas.

Thank you,
Tammy Bowen
Hello Cindy, Elise, and Deb,

I am a Lafayette homeowner since 2012 and resident since 2009. I don't care for empty words. Find a way to ban fracking in this county, and I'll support you wholeheartedly. Fail to act, and I'll do what I can to make sure someone with courage takes your place, wherever you go. Being nice doesn't save lives or our planet. Banning fracking is the greatest thing you can ever do in your life. If you fail to really challenge the ongoing destruction that fracking is, how can you live with yourself? People are learning that Democrats have an unholy alliance with oil and gas. The Democratic party will either die or change drastically. The status quo cannot continue. Which do you prefer for your political career?

Bill Van Eimeren
As residents of beautiful Boulder County, we want you to know how much we appreciate all the effort you are making to spare us from the ravages of the oil & gas industry.

Keep up the good work.

Ives & Cliff Gentry
Longmont
Hello,

My name is Chris Garone and I am a resident of unincorporated Boulder County. I am extremely anxious and distraught by the oncoming fracking in Boulder County. It seems to me you have given the Oil & Gas industry access to pollute our land, water and air by ending the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Scientific studies have shown that fracking is harmful to the environment and the people who live close to fracking.

I am writing to ask you to fund a lawsuit against the State of Colorado to protect our investment in open space in Boulder County. We have invested millions in our open space and it was never intended for industrial purposes. If you cannot support such a lawsuit, please step down and allow commissioners who are willing to represent the needs of the people they represent to do the job.

We need strong leadership at this crucial time.

Thank you.

Chris Garone
My name is Patti Rother and I am a resident of Boulder County. I am extremely anxious and distraught by the oncoming fracking in Boulder County. It seems to me you have given the Oil & Gas industry access to pollute our land, water and air by ending the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Scientific studies have shown that fracking is harmful to the environment and the people who live close to fracking.

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Thank you.

Patti Rother
80304
Hello,

My name is Jennifer Garone and I am a resident of unincorporated Boulder County. I am extremely anxious and distraught by the oncoming fracking in Boulder County. It seems to me you have given the Oil & Gas industry access to pollute our land, water and air by ending the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Scientific studies have shown that fracking is harmful to the environment and the people who live close to fracking.

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Thank you.

Jennifer Garone

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**Email:** jenton66@gmail.com  
**Phone Number (optional):** (720) 438-8901

**My Question or Feedback most closely relates to the following subject: (fill in the blank):** Fracking in Boulder County

**Comments, Question or Feedback:**

My name is Jennifer Hinton and I am a resident of Boulder County. I am extremely anxious and distraught by the oncoming fracking in Boulder County. It seems to me you have given the Oil & Gas industry access to pollute our land, water and air by ending the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Scientific studies have shown that fracking is harmful to the environment and the people who live close to fracking.

And beyond any health concerns, it is ugly. And creates an industrial zone in open space with all the requisite problems and risks that come with industry. This is not what residents pay taxes for and what make the quality of our lives so precious here.

I have lived in Boulder County since 1998 and have paid higher cost in taxes and been part of public investments since then. This not what the people of Boulder County want. So at this time,

I am writing to demand you use our monies to fund a lawsuit against the State of Colorado to protect our investment in open space in Boulder County. We have invested millions in our open space and it was never intended for industrial purposes.

We need strong leadership at this crucial time.

Thank you.

Please check box below *  
- I acknowledge receipt of the Open Records Notification
Commissioners:
We cannot cave to big oil. Fracking will destroy the beauty of our open space, pollute our water, cause earthquakes and all for oil that will be sent through pipelines vulnerable to breakage so it can be exported. Solar energy is the answer!
Do you listen to the people or to corporations?
Susan Herbert
Boulder County voter
My name is Melanie Whitehead and I am a resident of Boulder County. I am extremely anxious and distraught by the oncoming fracking in Boulder County. It seems to me you have given the Oil & Gas industry access to pollute our land, water and air by ending the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Scientific studies have shown that fracking is harmful to the environment and the people who live close to fracking.

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Thank you.

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"Nature does not hurry, yet everything is accomplished." ~Lao Tzu
Hello,

I just read about the wells proposed near Gunbarrel. Having seen the devastating impact of wells in neighborhoods in Weld County along with having relatives in Oklahoma report that water jumps out of swimming pools due to the strength of the quakes that are caused by them, the words strongly opposed doesn't begin to touch my feelings about wells in our beautiful neighborhoods.

I don't know what can be done about this but it has been suggested that we ask to fund a lawsuit against the state, protecting Boulder County's open space. Therefore I am begging you to do this or whatever you can do to stop fracking in Boulder County.

Respectfully,
Cynthia Arendt
hey friends,

It has come to my attention that the fracking moratorium is ending soon, and I’m curious what, if anything, the county is planning to do about it.

Can gas companies apply for permits on our Boulder County Open Space? If so, I hope everything possible will be done to stop that!

Is it possible to bring a lawsuit to protect our health, safety and resources we’ve been paying into for so many years.

thank you so much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cindy Lusk
35 year Boulder County resident
To Whom it May Concern:

My husband and I campaigned against fracking in Boulder County in the past and are still strongly against fracking in Boulder Co.

Suzita Cochran and Todd Laugen
1645 Linden Ave.
Boulder, CO 80304
Hello,
I am a resident of Boulder County, and have lived here since 1991.  
I would like to add my comments to the ongoing discussion of Fracking and Oil and Gas development in the state of Colorado.  
I oppose fracking and Oil and Gas development anywhere near population centers. This includes schools, homes and natural water sources.  
The decision to frack on the borders of school yards in Erie is misguided and just plain stupid. Please do not permit the wholesale destruction of our lands, for “profit” or for any reason.  
Respectfully,  
Paul B Cohen MD
I am writing today to express my deep concern that our county commissioners have decided that there is nothing they can do to protect us from a proposed 1,800 fracking wells in Boulder County. Fracking is an inherently dangerous and destructive process that poisons our air and groundwater and is a violation of the land, the health of our families, and the well being of our communities and climate. The science is there to prove this. The people of Boulder County have spoken clearly on the issue of fracking and do not want drilling in Boulder County under any circumstances. We have a fundamental right to a healthy climate and a right to enact laws that protect our primary values and interests. Is it our voice, the voice of the people, that should be heard regarding decisions that will directly effect us not the voice of the oil and gas industry. The laws that seek to remove us from protecting the land, the local environment, the climate, and our right to self govern are in every way immoral and illegitimate.

The current moratorium on oil and gas extraction in Boulder County ends on May 1st. Are the county commissioners going to poison us or protect us? I fully expect the commissioners to immediately adopt the Climate Bill of Rights and Protections. We can and will stop fracking from harming our children, air and land. It is time for the commissioners to side with the people of Boulder County and ban fracking now!

Joan Origer
1037 Pratt St, Longmont
970-903-4671
No fracking!! Profits for a few environmental degradation and health impacts for the many.

Patricia Kay Youngson 303-415-9872

May I walk through this day in peace and well being.
May I walk through this day in love and joy.
Hi,

Please extend the moratorium on fracking. Oil and gas development has to be done in a manner that protects public health, safety, welfare, the environment, and wildlife. Fracking does not fit into this!

Please use open space funds to support a lawsuit that will protect open space from fracking. Open space is for agricultural uses, recreation, and environmental conversation. There is no place for fracking in our open space.

I'll see you at the public meeting!

Thanks,
Amy
Dear Commissioners,

Extend the moratorium. In light of the recent victory of the Martinez Case, we have new legal grounds for a moratorium. Here's why:

The court determined that oil and gas development has to be done "in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife". Our current setbacks are based upon balancing the economic interests of the oil and gas industry against healthy and safety - rather than treating health and safety as a priority.

Use open space funds to support a lawsuit that will protect open space from fracking (We The People have invested over $100 million in taxes in open space). Our charter says that open space is only to be used for agricultural uses, passive recreation and environmental conservation. We have the right to defend this contract in court!

Please listen to the residents of Boulder County about how important the moratorium is to us!

Thank you for your time and consideration.
Erin Firman
I don’t understand why greed is causing companies to poison our environment
The health effects are devastating
Please stop fracking
~instead of asking what the world needs. ask what makes you come alive, and go do it,
because what the world needs is people who have come alive.~ howard thurman

A wise man creates more opportunities than he finds.

Lisa Tully, PhD
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skype: lisatully
Dear Boulder County Commissioners-

First of all, thank you for all you are doing for Boulder County when it comes to fracking and everything else. I have confidently lived on the SW edge of Longmont feeling confident that I wouldn't see a well pop-up west of 75th St due to your care and diligence. Your actions have spoken to your dedication to keeping Boulder a safe and healthy place to live and raise a family.

Please consider extending the moratorium in an effort to protect the health of our citizens and environment. In addition, protecting our economy and home values.

Lastly, keep our open space safe and back a lawsuit to keep it free of fracking. We love our open space in Boulder County!! No one wants it to look like Weld.

The science and the evidence is clear that fracking is not safe nor does it deter climate change. We need to abandon fossil fuels and support demand for alternative forms of energy. By turning our county away from fracking, we can set a precedent.

I do not envy your job, it requires courage and conscious decision making. Thank you for doing your best.

Thank you for your time.

Best-
Nichole

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**Nichole Jones, LPC**
*Nichole Jones Counseling and Yoga*
*720-273-3492*
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Thanks for your good work. Please continue it by:

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Sincerely,
~Thomas Doerr


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To the County Commissioners of Boulder,

I am writing to express my support for extending Boulder County’s fracking moratorium. I feel there are new legal grounds for extending the moratorium, given the recent victory in the Martinez Case. I urge the County Commissioners to ban fracking based on the desire to protect public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife.

I also support the commissioners using open space funds to support a law suit to protect open space from fracking. Our open space lands are precious and we need to do all we can to protect them.

Before moving to Boulder, I lived in Telluride, where the citizens of our small town went up against a wealthy land owner and defense industry contractor, to protect the Valley Floor from development. The citizens of our town voted repeatedly to fund the lawsuit and we won!

I recognize that battling with the State and with the Oil & Gas Commission may not be easy, but I believe that Boulder will prevail. Further, Boulder will serve as an example for communities in the rest of the state who are working to protect their public lands and their citizens from the harmful effects of fracking.

Thank you for your attention and your continued vigilance in this matter.

Best,

Leyla Steele

Leyla Steele
Partner/Boulder Luxury Group
Re/Max Alliance on Walnut

303-859-3110
leyla@leylasteele.com
http://boulderluxurygroup.com
No fracking in Boulder County. This method of extraction is a pollution hazard to water and species, humans too! Force the utilities, and gas co to be fully accountable and responsible, and divest on this method. Thank you
Hello,
I would appreciate it if you would extend the fracking band now in place.

There is more and more information coming out about the endangers to the health of people and the environment along with increased earthquakes.

I hope that you will take this all in mind and please extend the band.

_Sincerely,_
_Cleo Dioletis_
Commissioners and committees,

Please accept my first letter on the issue of fracking on public lands.
I have decided to show my dislike of the use of the commons for the profit of the corporation, and at risk to health of the people.
Please do all that you can to oppose fracking in our beloved county.

Peter Korba
730 S. 46th st
Boulder CO
I would surely appreciate a moratorium, as the air just doesn't stay in one spot.

Please consider the health and safety for everyone in Colorado.

Thank you for your time.

Pat Dunn
12568 e alaska place
Aurora, Colorado 80012
Hello,

PLEASE <3

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Thank you,

*Michelle Corazao*
*Boulder, CO 80302*
Dear Boulder City Council,

I am a member of Frack-Free Colorado and would like to reiterate our position. There is hope for extending the fracking moratorium!

You County Commissioners are our allies! We believe you want to do the right thing, so please receive the following positive encouragement to stand with us in the following:

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Sincerely,

Brook Stableford
Pleeease!! Great danger and pollutant and selfish.
Boulder voter Pat Sunfield

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Droid
Dear County Commissioners,

I am extremely concerned with the future of the state of Colorado and specifically Boulder County as it pertains to fracking. The recent wave of drilling applications not far from my home (and thousands of others' homes) in Niwot is depressing, frightening, and frankly sickening. I believe we are all working to do the right thing, so I wanted to suggest the following:

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2. Use open space funds to support a lawsuit that will protect open space from fracking (Citizens have invested over $100 million in taxes in open space). Our charter says that open space is only to be used for agricultural uses, passive recreation, and environmental conservation. We have the right to defend this contract in court.

Thanks you for your time.

Chris Case

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Thanks
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You have our support on this.

Carolyn Usher
2210 Balsam Dr
Ban fracking permanently. See Keuka Energy!

Lynn 303-447-3216 24/7
I am a resident of Boulder County. I live here because of the strong environmental concerns shared with other residents. We have plenty of sun and plenty of wind in Colorado. We have no need for fracking and will protest this at every turn. I, for one, I am tired of being asked to sacrifice things I care about so the rich can become richer. Aren't you?

Glenda O'Rourke
4716 Ashfield Court, Boulder, CO

Sent from my iPhone
Please extend the moratorium and fund the defense of Open Space today!! Standing up against fracking in Colorado is one of the most important messages we can send to those in power that our earth is dispensable. Please show them we care and that we of Boulder County demand accountability and will fight to protect the environment and the all that are impacted by fracking!!

Do not disappoint us now. Boulder County Commissioners your our only hope...

Sincerely,
Abigail Averitt
720.771.7525
5635 Mount Audubon Place
Longmont, CO 80503

Sent from my iPhone

Sent from my iPhone
Dear County Commissioners,

**Please extend the fracking moratorium.** The court determined that oil and gas development has to be done *in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife*. Health and safety of residents must be the priority.

**I support a lawsuit that will protect open space from fracking** Our charter says that open space is only to be used for agricultural uses, passive recreation and environmental conservation. We have the right to defend this contract in court!

Thank you,
Sandra Snyder
Boulder Resident
Dear County Commissioners,

Please please please stand up for the people of Boulder County and do what is right to protect our land and environment. Our land should not be fracked and there is no guarantee that restrictions will make it any safer. The only option is to ban fracking in Boulder County. It is the right thing to do.

For our future and our children's future please do the right thing. Listen to the people and do whatever you can to stop drilling in Boulder County.

Thank you. A concerned mother, teacher, and citizen of Boulder County.

Stephanie Erbland

Stephanie Erbland, MA
K-5 Autism Teacher
Niwot Elementary
303-652-2828
Extend the moratorium on fracking now.
I am opposed to Fracking in Colorado.
No poisoning of water supplies
No earthquakes caused by fracking
No cancer causing chemicals on my land that I love!
Stop fracking now!
Sincerely
Donna Ellman
1236 Chinook way
Boulder, CO 80303
303 818-9490

Sent from my iPhone
Please defend against fracking. 216 wells planned just for 10 mile plot east of Gunbarrel.

Thanks and be sweet!!

Jodi Feinhor-Dennis aka Missy J

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missyjs.com
No fracking Boulder County!

Tammy Bowen
Please extend the moratorium and Use open space funds to support a lawsuit that will protect open space from fracking.

Thank you
Elise Champe
Longmont resident
I am VERY concerned that fracking is coming to my neighborhood. So I ask you to:

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Marie Groh
Dear County Commissioners,

You have always demonstrated that you care about Boulder County and the environment.

I am writing to encourage you to continue that commitment and extend the moratorium on fracking. With the recent Martinez court case, we have new legal grounds to support a moratorium. In addition, using Open Space funds for any legal proceedings to protect our county from fracking, seems like a highly valid use of these funds!

Thank you so much for standing up for the environment and our health!

Sincerely,

Lori Cameron
3851 Orion Court
Boulder
From someone who is fortunate enough to have a house bordering the open space I would appreciate your representation of us in favor of the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Please continue to do what is right for the public, environment and wildlife in Boulder County.

Thanks,

Heather Frim
Heatherwood

Sent from my iPhone
Hello,

I’m very concerned about the negative impacts which will come from fracking – there is a reason many places like New York and Vermont have banned it permanently. Please extend the moratorium, and put health and safety as a priority.

I understand that there will almost undoubtedly be a lawsuit, but I think it’s worth fighting for. Use the open space funds, since our charter says that open space is only to be used for agricultural uses, passive recreation and environmental conservation.

Thank you,
Adam Pastula
80301
To whom it may concern:

Oil and gas development has to be done "in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife." **Extend the moratorium.**

Use open space funds to support a lawsuit that will protect open space from fracking (We The People have invested over $100 million in taxes in open space). Our charter says that open space is only to be used for agricultural uses, passive recreation and environmental conservation.

Sophie Rose
Please ——continue the moratorium and keep oil and gas out of our “open space”.

Use our “open space” tax money to help with court costs !!!

Take this seriously.

Many thanks,

Dawn Jensen
2359 lavender hill lane
Lafayette, Co.
Please vote against allowing fracking in our communities!

Please extend the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Our pristine and beautiful foothills homes should not be littered with giant industrial work sites.

Please keep Boulder free from potentially harmful chemicals and waste.

You've done such a great job for so long regarding this issue, and I hope that you will continue to make the right choice!

Thank you for listening.

Best,

D.

4744 Hampshire St.
Boulder, CO 80301

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Dustin Boyd
Planet Bluegrass
PO Box 769
Lyons, CO 80540
800-624-2422 x103
To the County Commissioners,

I am writing to ask that you extend the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. There are so many wonderful things about living here, and if we allowed fracking in to our spaces, we will lose many of those things. Please respect your constituents’ wishes and extend the moratorium.

Thank you,
Dani Hemmat
Kirkwood Court
Boulder, CO 80301
Dear County Commissioners:

I have been living in Boulder County for over 15 years and love its city, people and nature. I strongly oppose fracking in Boulder country and want to express my dismay when hearing that apparently there is still support at the county level. I am asking that you do your very best to stop all fracking.

Thank you very much,

Tom Richebacher
4777 Berkshire Street
Boulder, 80301
303-884-4602
From: Michael Melio
To: Boulder County Oil and Gas Comment
Subject: Enact Moratorium & Fund Defense of Open Space
Date: Thursday, April 20, 2017 12:24:16 PM

As a representative of this community, you first duty is to the protection of the people you serve. And if any laws of state usurp your right and responsibility to protect us, it is your duty to disobey those laws. For the people you serve are sovereign, not the laws which have been corrupted by the moneyed interests in the oil and gas industries and their lackeys in state government.

Best regards,

Michael David Melio
mailto:mdavidmelio@gmail.com
303-530-5215
Please do not post my email or name online or in the public record. Thank you.

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Warm regards,

Nikita, 80304
Please, please, I implore you as a citizen of this great county to pursue all means necessary to extend the fracking moratorium on open space and public lands. Thank you for your commitment, hard work, and continued perseverance.

-Megan

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Megan Warren Henderson
4850 Ricara Dr.
Boulder, CO  80303
307.413.3203
Thank you for all that you are doing to protect Boulder from fracking! Please use the funds available for a lawsuit to defend the purpose of our open space. Sincerely, Philana Hutchison

Sent from my iPhone
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I took a slightly different approach to the Commissioners:

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Sent from my iPhone
I believe that Fracking violates the rules requiring protection of public health, safety and welfare! Therefore I’m strongly opposed to Fracking, please do what you can to block or delay in the County.

I am NOT opposed to oil wells, however fracking and horizontal drilling have both been proven to be damaging to the environment and to public health, the scariest part is the impact to future generations.

https://www.earthworksaction.org/issues/detail/hydraulic_fracturing_101#.WPkX4VPytTY

Thanks for your continued attention and focus on this matter, I strongly believe that your constituents will back you in this endeavor, and will happily approve any expenses related to this defense of the values that make Boulder County such a wonderful place to live.

Kelly Corkill
Niwot, CO.
From: Doug Kennedy  
To: Boulder County Oil and Gas Comment  
Subject: Enact Moratorium & Fund Defense of Open Space  
Date: Thursday, April 20, 2017 2:28:50 PM  

Dear Commissioners,

I am PLEADING with you, for the sake of our children's health, to enact and extend a Moratorium on Fracking for oil and gas in Boulder County lands.

With a new Presidential/EPA attitude of Relaxing the rules and Regs on fracking....we MUST protect our public lands and find other ways to provide revenue.

We have invested years and much money on our Open Spaces. They are NOT to be used in this way.

Thank You for protecting us.

douglas kennedy  
4578 tally ho trail  
boulder, co 80301
Boulder County is much too beautiful to ruin with fracking sights. Our residents deserve clean water, no drop in property values and no fear of earthquakes.

Fracking is not for us!! Represent your constituents and vote to extend the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County.

Barb Lewis
4781 Heatherwood Ct.
Boulder, CO 80301
Dear County Commissioners,

I am writing to you in regards to the end to the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County. Please consider the environment, the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the health of our children when deciding on what is best for Boulder County and the future of clean energy.

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As a resident of Boulder County living in Gunbarrel, I am invested in leaving this beautiful place better than I found it. I truly hope you are too.

Sincerely,

Kim Hindman
7360 Mt Meeker Rd
Longmont, CO 80503
Dear Commissioners,

I’ve come to the meetings at the courthouse, I have signed numerous letters, I have written numerous letters. All of them say please do not allow fracking on boulder county open space. We have a right to clean air and clean water. Fracking companies are going to destroy the quality of our air and our water. They will steal water which we do not have enough of in the first place. The noise, the industrial manner in which fracking happens, the heavy traffic on roads is simply not acceptable. The effects of fracking on our community and our county are very deleterious. We are destroying the things that we value most about this place that we live in. Stop the Fracking of our land. Support the wishes of the people who live here. Do not support the oil and gas industry. They are only interested in profits. They do not care if they destroy our way of life our land and our water. Stand up for all of us in Boulder County.
Thank you, Sally Blaser
Please, please please don’t allow fracking in Boulder County. It’s not going to improve anyone’s quality of life…and may, in fact, destroy it. Boulder used to be a beautiful spot - why are you now intent on ruining it? I don’t have, and cannot get earthquake insurance. There are much better uses for the limited quantities of water we have available. I enjoy drinking safe, clean water. What more can I say? Fracking is a terrible idea all the way around, let alone in a heavily populated area like Boulder. Money isn’t everything. Once the environment is destroyed, there’s no going back. Stand up to big oil and gas, please.

Money isn’t everything!
Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

Here’s some great info!

Thank you,
Frederica Acora
Boulder, CO

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Dear County Commissioners,

I am writing you this as a concerned citizen, homeowner, mother, and registered nurse. Fracking is bad for our community. I am deeply concerned by the environmental and health impacts of this coming into my community and polluting our environment. My son will be attending Heatherwood elementary school in the fall. The oil fracking that will occur very close to his school if the moratorium isn't extended gives me chills. He is a vulnerable 5 year old and needs our protect. As a registered nurse and having worked in blood cancer treatment the probable carcinogen/toxin exposure from fracking greatly disturbs me. You are our Commissioners elected to protect and sustain this community, please stand up to big oil and the Colorado State government, we need you! I am in support of using open space funds to keep fracking out of our community and open space areas. I sincerely appreciate your thoughtful consideration and courage in this matter. Don't give in now!

Deeply concerned citizen,
Julia Hanke
4711 Berkshire CT
Boulder, CO 80301
Hopefully our County and Local Governments will back muni’s abilities to protect homes & life.
Lately in the news I have seen that oil & gas companies have been drilling but not completing wells. While substantial damage to the land and habitat comes from completion, the drilling phase alone does lasting damage to the land and to the surface owners' property values, and delaying the well completion exacerbates the damage by delaying the "partial reclamation" of the site. This practice should be discouraged by whatever means the land use law allows the county to use. Our regulations should, at a minimum, make the permit expire if the completion phase does not follow the drilling phase in good time, without regard to market prices.

Please consider revising the regulations to address this concern.

Sincerely,

Nancy Hall
12892 Sheramdi St., Longmont
Boulder County Commissioners,

I am writing to plead with your common sense to keep our county from being over run by fracking. Fracking is unsafe and unpredictable and does not belong near schools, neighborhoods and parks. Weld County is covered with a brown smog and I personally know people in those communities who health and property values have been negatively impacted by the effects of fracking. It is in our Colorado Constitution to be able to protect our health, safety and pursuit of happiness and it is your responsibility to serve the people of this county not the pockets of big business!

Please do what is right and keep a moratorium in place as long as possible.

Sincerely,
Amanda Wallace
1907 Kristy Court,
Longmont, CO 80504
Hi everyone,

I just wanted to thank you all for staying in the fight for our own public utility company. I also hope you will continue to fight the Fracking industry in Colorado as it is crucial to keeping our planet a livable one.

Thanks for all you do,
Patrick Casey
365 Pearl St
Boulder, CO 80302
Hello Commissioners,

I would like to include my voice in extending the Boulder County Moratorium on fracking.

Please stand with us (the people/residents of Boulder County) in protecting our environment and resources from damage and unnecessary extraction.

With recent legal precedent to protect public health, safety, welfare and the environment (including wildlife) I believe we are on solid ground in protecting our county from damage in these areas. Boulder County has always set quality of life and safety high on the priorities list, that’s why I live here, and wish to see those priorities retained.

I would also like to support the use of open space funds to support a lawsuit protecting open space from fracking. Our open space areas are not to be used for resource extraction, they are for quality of life purposes. Resource extraction is same-old, same-old, profiteering having little to nothing to do with quality of life.

Please continue to support the priorities of Boulder County citizens so that we may maintain it as a quality place to live.

Thank you very much,

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Brian Shunamon
Boulder CO 80301
As a resident of Boulder County, I am opposed to fracking and I urge you to extend the moratorium and stop fracking from ruining our environment and hurting our home values.

Thank you,
Chris Leone
4523 Edmonton Ct
Boulder, CO
Thank You for considering my remarks.

The future and well being of our community rests on three basic facts:

1. To survive and create a thriving culture humans must have access to clean air to breathe. We must have clean air security.
2. As well, humans must have clean water to drink and to nurture healthy plant growth, for plants are an essential component of the human breathing cycle, the carbon sequestration cycle, and any local foodshed.
3. Humans must have wholesome nourishment in the form of food in order to play, learn, grow, create, reproduce and work. A local foodshed based on organic and biodynamic farming methods provides the best, freshest, most nutrient rich food possible to any community. These methods rely on the stewardship of healthy soil, rich in regenerative, complex organic structures.

There is much more that can be said about these facts and I choose to be brief here as I expect You will receive myriad offerings from our brilliant community.

[Of course we also need shelter, yet without these three essential gifts from the natural world, communities will collapse (rates of collapse will vary).]

Studies must be conducted that will determine how fracking will affect the health and well being of the community in these regards. The future of our community is in our hands. It must be held in a sacred, protected way.

Sincerely,
Mari Heart

Sent from my iPad
Hello,

I am Jan DeCourtney, 20 year resident of Boulder County.

I do NOT WANT FRACKING in any way, shape or form, at any time or any place, in Boulder County.

I am not fond of earthquakes, pollution, or insulting the earth, or the other dangers or wrong reasons to do fracking. Like supporting the 1%.

I do NOT WANT FRACKING in any way, shape or form, at any time or any place, in Boulder County.

I WANT SUSTAINABLE ENERGY. PERIOD.

NO FRACKING.

Thank you,
Jan DeCourtney
6150 Willow Lane, Boulder, CO  80308
303-527-2886
Dear Commissioners,

Please extend the moratorium on fracking. The ruling in the Martinez case shows that an appeal to health and safety is valid and important. You would be derelict in your duties as commissioners to ignore the importance of this to Boulder County.

Also, the Open Space charter clearly states the uses to which Open Space can be put. Those uses DO NOT include fracking. Please use open space funds to defend this in court if you need to.

Thank you,
Your constituent,
Gail Neal  80304
Dear Commissioners,
Please extend the moratorium for Boulder County. The protection of public health, safety, and the environment are crucial.
I have lived in Boulder County for 25 years and want to see Open Space be used for the purpose it was created.
Thanks so much, Erik Sween
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Deborah Fink
3855 Telluride Pl
Boulder 80305
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Thank you for your time and efforts,
Adam Pastula
Boulder, CO 80301
To Whom It May Concern:

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I would like to see the process of more development slowed down, given that any damage caused by earthquakes most likely will have to be paid for by individual property owners and/or the taxpayers, very few of whom are recipients of the monetary compensation of said development.

Tina Eden, Niwot

*Live simply so that others may simply live.*
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Dear County Commissioners,

Please consider the health of all of us (especially our children and future generations) as well as the land, the water, and the wildlife that will be forever adversely affected if we continue to allow fracking in Boulder County.

I urge you to reject the frenzied desire for profit and to act to benefit the welfare of all of us.

Alice Levine
585 Juniper Avenue
Boulder, CO 80304
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I am writing asking you to take another step, beyond your work on the conditions under which oil and gas development can take place. Given that the CO Court of Appeals recently determined in the Martinez Case that oil and gas development must be done "in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife", and that the Boulder County charter maintains that open space is to be used only for agriculture, passive recreation, and environmental conservation, county commissioners must go beyond merely mitigating the effects of drilling with regulations and use open space funds to support a lawsuit that will completely protect our open space from any fracking at all. With more than $100 million in taxes invested in open space, we have the right to defend in court this contract with the people.

Fracking is an assault on our land, air, water, property values, and on human health in a significant way. On this Earth Day, I am asking you to support Earth, Science, and Public Good over industry's "rights" to profit. The right to profit should not have precedence, which the recent Martinez case ruling supports. I am very concerned that preemption and the like have taken us beyond a democratic system.

Thank you.

Jasmin Cori
4945 Twin Lakes Rd, #44
Boulder, CO 80301
From: Annette Hartman
To: Boulder County Oil and Gas Comment
Subject: What Good are Trails & Open Space if the Air is Too Toxic to Breathe!
Date: Saturday, April 22, 2017 10:12:32 PM

Fracking Fun Facts: Air

<!-[if !supportLists]-->1.  ![endif]-->Air: Among the most dangerous chemicals emitted during the natural gas production process are:

- Nitrogen oxides, which react with sunlight to create ground-level ozone (smog)
- Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) including benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene and formaldehyde which are listed as "hazardous air pollutants" under the Clean Air Act
- Methane, a greenhouse gas many times more powerful than carbon dioxide and a significant contributor to global climate change
- Hydrogen sulfide, which leads to irritation of the eyes, nose, and throat, and which can cause nausea, vomiting, and death in extreme cases

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Please, please stop all plans to begin drilling in Boulder County and extend the moratorium or, better yet, pass the Boulder County Climate Bill of Rights. We're already choking on the horrible air from fracking in neighboring counties, like Weld County.

Our health, drinking water, and air are worth fighting for!!!

- Annette Hartman
hello -
i am writing to express my support for an extension of the Moratorium on Fracking.
all members of my family agree: Please extend the Moratorium.

thank you,
Penny Davis
4808 Briar Ridge Ct
Boulder, CO
303.325.3724

Penny Davis
pdavis303@icloud.com
Boulder County please do what is RIGHT by the people and environment of Colorado for future generations. Please focus on the longer term benefits of protecting our states resources instead of the short term gain for those invested in the oil & gas industry. For gods sake we are talking about the health of the people and land here. Remember you can not drink oil; only clean water. Thank you.

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Thank you

Concerned Colorado Citizen
Kendra Webber
Please continue to disallow franking anywhere in the county. Open space funds should help in this fight.

Thank you
Marda Buchholz
3370 34th St
Boulder
I used to think to myself "no matter what happens, I know the commissioners will take care of the county".

I wouldn't say that now. What this whole saga has led me to realize is that the commissioners' highest priority is the party.
To Whom It May Concern:

I am a Boulder County native who is greatly concerned that Boulder may decide to scale back any fracking moratoriums, particularly on public lands.

Fracking--while providing cheap natural gas--is a highly dangerous practice that is hazardous to environmental and human health. Our citizens deserve to be free from both the short- and long-term impacts of fracking (which include global warming).

I ask that you:
1. Extend the moratorium. The citizens of the county do not want this.
2. Use Open Space funds to support a lawsuit that will protect Open Space from fracking. This land is only to be used for agriculture, passive recreation, and environmental conservation--not exploitation of natural resources for profit.

Sincerely,
Amy Haddon
3586 Larkspur Dr.
Longmont, CO
Please extend the moratorium on fracking in Boulder In light of the recent victory of the Martinez Case. The court determined that oil and gas development has to be done "in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife". Our current setbacks are based upon balancing the economic interests of the oil and gas industry against healthy and safety - rather than treating health and safety as a priority.

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Thank you.
Jessica Slatus
Boulder county resident and mother of two young children.

Jessica Slatus, LCSW
954 North Street #204
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From: andrew oconnor
To: Boulder County Oil and Gas Comment
Subject: Severance Tax On Oil & Gas Fw: Title Board - Results
Date: Sunday, April 23, 2017 9:34:13 PM
Attachments: 2017-2018 #20 - Hearing Results.pdf

Please find attached ballot initiative approved by Title Board on 4/20/17, to impose 10% severance tax on oil and gas in Colorado for your review.

I believe that Boulder County should look into imposing a separate severance tax of say a minimum of 25% on any fracking in Boulder County.

Andrew J. O'Connor

From: Steven Ward <Steven.Ward@SOS.STATE.CO.US>
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:40 AM
To: 'andrew oconnor'
Subject: Title Board - Results

Mr. O'Connor,

The results from yesterday's Title Board are attached to this message.

If you wish to request a rehearing, you must file your motion with our office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26. A motion for rehearing must specifically outline the problems with the titles and submission clause and/or the rulings of the Title Board. Further information regarding the rehearing process can be found at: http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/Initiatives/guide/2-TitleBoard.html#1.

If a motion for rehearing is filed with our office by you or another party, the rehearing will take place on either April 27 or April 28. Please be sure that you and the other designated representative for your initiative are available on both days.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office via email at: Statewide.Initiatives@sos.state.co.us or (303) 894-2200 ext. 6318.

Thank you,

Steven Ward
Colorado Department of State
Elections Division
303-894-2200 x6318
steven.ward@sos.state.co.us
Ballot Title Setting Board

Proposed Initiative 2017 2018 #20

The title as designated and fixed by the Board is as follows:

STATE TAXES SHALL BE INCREASED $438,000,000 ANNUALLY BY A CHANGE TO THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CONCERNING THE SEVERANCE TAX ON OIL AND GAS EXTRACTED IN THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCREASING THE EXISTING SEVERANCE TAX RATES ON OIL AND GAS BY 5%; ELIMINATING A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX BASED ON PROPERTY TAXES PAID BY PRODUCERS AND INTEREST OWNERS; LOWERING THE AMOUNT OF PRODUCTION THAT EXEMPTS A WELL FROM THE TAX; EXEMPTING OF THE TAX REVENUE AND RELATED INVESTMENT INCOME FROM STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPENDING LIMITS; AND REQUIRING THE TAX REVENUES TO BE CREDITED TO (1) THE STATE SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND, (2) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE TAX FUND, AND (3) A NEW SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND, OF WHICH 40% IS TO BE USED TO FUND PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, 30% TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS ATTENDING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, 20% TO FUND MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS, AND 10% TO FUND COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS.

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Hearing April 19, 2017:
Single subject approved; staff draft amended; titles set.
Hearing adjourned 11:07 a.m.
Boulder County cannot spare the water for fracking.


The need for large volumes of water over short time periods for hydraulic fracking can cause stress at the coldest, driest, and most critical times of the year for communities surrounding fracking sites.
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Thank you,

Michele Forsberg 80503
Dear Commissioners Domenico, Gardner and Jones.

Considering the below to be true, I strongly support the extension of the fracking moratorium, and will be following the issue in the coming days/weeks.

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Andrew J. O'Connor
1220 W. Devonshire Court
Lafayette, CO 80026
(303) 499-4585
Hello,

As a concerned citizen, I implore you to represent the wishes of the people of Boulder County.

Please continue to work to extend the moratorium against fracking. In a recent case, the court determined for oil/gas development to be done "in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife."
I believe that the implications of fracking upon the environment, as well as potential respiratory, immune, and neurodevelopmental detriments are sufficient to, at minimum, postpone development until further research has been conducted concerning environmental and public health impact.

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Lastly, I ask you to please give your best to uphold the responsibility to humanity you have holding a government position, and to put human rights ahead of corporate agendas.

Stay well,

Taylor Stoecklin

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Yours in Health and Happiness,

Taylor Stoecklin, DC
Chiropractor, Yogi, Explorer, Human
plea.e extend the moratorium. think solar! stop destroying the earth! stand up for your constituents,

Dennis Tye  
(303) 995 3321
Commissioners

I wish to thank you for your past work on improving the regulations on the oil and gas industry. As I am sure you are all aware, we are at a critical juncture regarding fracking in our state.

With the enormous body of literature clearly showing the adverse health and environmental effects of fracking, we must continue to work toward a permanent moratorium of fracking in our community.

As a physician, and a member of Physicians for Social Responsibility, I am very concerned regarding the long term health effects, especially for children in our community if the practice of fracking is allowed to continue.

In the words of New York State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker, “[I]t is clear from the existing literature and experience that HVHF (high volume hydraulic fracking) activity has resulted in environmental impacts that are potentially adverse to public health. Until the science provides sufficient information to determine the level of risk to public health from HVHF and whether the risks can be adequately managed"

Other states have been successful in stopping this dangerous practice, I encourage you to continue your efforts to do so.

Ray Howe MD
303 386 6080
Dear Commissioners,

Thanks for all of your fantastic efforts over the years to protect us from fracking. I really appreciate it. Being on well water with a proposed fracking site nearby, I am particularly appreciative of all you’ve done to protect our health and quality of life.

The thought of fracking on Open Space is horrifying to me, and given that those are the areas with sufficient setback from homes, they seem particularly vulnerable. We citizens have invested millions of our tax dollars over many decades in acquiring those lands to be preserved from development. I request that the County (and the City) of Boulder defend in court that contract between local governments and the citizens.

With the recent Martinez case ruling, I believe there is now legal grounds on which to extend the moratorium once again. I urge you to please do that.

Thanks,
Lennard


Lennard Zinn
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Author of "Zinn and the Art of" bike maintenance books and other books
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Dear Elise, Deb, Cindy, and Staff:

This comment proposes amendments to state law regarding oil and gas development. Regarding new COGCC rulemakings, my sense is that: 1) new or additional rulemakings are unlikely to make much of a difference in the near term, and 2) new laws might be needed to make it clear that future rulemakings result in meaningful new reforms protecting public health, people, and the environment.


Local Control and Public Health protection bills (the first and third bullets below) are likely to make the greatest difference.

- **A land use local control act.** Except for oil and gas, all heavy industrial operations in Colorado are subject to the local government’s zoning authority. Texas and other major producing states trust local jurisdictions to zone oil and gas. Why not Colorado? Should drilling pads and pipelines be exempt from standards that apply to gold mines and gravel pits, liquor stores and marijuana dispensaries? Local control rises above rural vs. urban divides. It avoids “one size fits all.” It’s ripe for a bipartisan coalition.

- **A water quality protection act.** Colorado is the headwaters state. Contamination caused by fracking chemicals might not be treatable. We can protect groundwater and wells with a rebuttable presumption that drilling caused contamination within an agreed periphery, when degradation is proven. State law should place the burden of risk on the companies profiting from hydraulic fracturing. Safe operators won’t be impacted. This approach has been successfully implemented in several states, including Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

- **A public health protection act.** Too many of our neighbors are getting sick from oil and gas operations. Government has a paramount interest in protecting public health. Why not expand a proven approach to safeguard children and families? A rebuttable presumption of liability where nearby residents suffer adverse health impacts would require expert medical opinion establishing that: 1) they became ill after fracking operations, and 2) the operations caused the illness. Operators could present exculpatory evidence. Why not protect those who bear the brunt of impacts, recognizing the general benefits from energy development?

- **A fair landowner compensation act.** If companies leasing minerals can occupy the surface without permission, should the landowner be compensated for lost use and value? When government (or a private toll authority) widens a highway, we require compensating landowners at fair market value. This is a good idea whose time has come. Other states do it, and many Colorado operators voluntarily make good faith payments to homeowners.

Notably, many other oil and gas producing states allow far more autonomy and local control to both cities and counties than Colorado. An opt-in approach for local jurisdictions would allow interested local governments to "raise the ceiling" while not adversely impacting jurisdictions such as Weld County that are supportive of the current level of state regulations. The Water Quality approach (2nd bullet above) is proven in multiple states, as is landowner compensation (4th bullet).

The School Setbacks bill sponsored by Foote and Jones warrants support and passage in future legislatures, as does Rep. Foote's bi-partisan Forced Pooling bill modeled on the approach in other states.
Another approach would be a **Informing the Public on Oil and Gas Act**. This approach might provide a user-friendly, and lay-person accessible information clearinghouse on information related to oil and gas development and impacts by individual well, by project or field/formation, and by jurisdictional boundary such as town, city, or county. On the last, it is somewhat amazing that local jurisdictions are not allowed to zone this heavy industrial use (see 1st bullet above).

My recollection of the state fracking disclosure rule is that some additional proposals about how the data required of companies would be made available online, including making it searchable and allowing aggregation of data and other uses that might advance the public interest. Additional impacts of interest might go to measured emissions from specific oil and gas sites, again made available by site, producer, formation, jurisdiction, etc. Climate emissions going to CO2 and GHGs is one area of great public interest in 2017. At the end of the day, making information available should contribute to better decision-making and more accountability to the industry - as well as providing an incentive to minimize emissions, use of toxic products, and impacts to people and the environment.

Boulder County and staff are headed in the right direction by analyzing changes in state law.

Sincerely,

/s
Mike Chiropolos
Dear Commissioners-

I hope that this April 25th meeting will include your plans for how Boulder County will use its considerable influence and moral standing as a "green" Colorado county to take concrete actions to prevent future oil/gas extraction. We do not need to commission more studies (the existing science is irrefutable). We do not need empty suggestions for Boulder residents to conserve more energy (most of us already do all we can).

We need your leadership. We need you, as our representatives, to prove to the community that you care deeply about this issue and are not just taking the path of least resistance and acquiescing to oil/gas companies. You and the attorneys that the county employs know better than we "Joe citizens" do what tactics and legal arguments would be most effective at circumventing the oil/gas companies' permitting process. We need actionable proposals for what that activists, time-strapped citizens and lawmakers can do now that can still be effective at this late stage. Many of us have been working on this issue for years but sadly have failed to prevent the end of the moratorium.

As you know, many of the local anti-fracking activists have resorted to publicly attacking you three County Commissioners. This is counterproductive and wastes resources that could be better spent on thwarting the actual enemy: oil and gas companies/COGCC. The April 25h meeting is your chance to get these activists on your side so that we can all pull in the same direction to prevent the destruction of our county. Please show us your leadership and your true commitment to this issue by proposing effective strategies that we can pursue together.

Boulder County should be bold, we can and should stand as an example for other counties who want to resist extraction.

Sincerely, Megan Wilder
Boulder resident (80302)
Cohen,

I absolutely believe that the Denver Post has a responsibility to publish my letter to the editor. In fact, it would be irresponsible of the Denver Post not to publish it.

After all, the fracking industry is prepared to turn neighborhoods and the areas around schools into industrial waste sites and murder Colorado adults and children by proximately causing them to contract cancers, asthma, respiratory diseases, increased miscarriages, cognitive deficiencies, etc... Oil and gas is clearly putting profits before the health, safety and welfare of Coloradans. The oil and gas industry is inherently immoral and dishonest and the people need to know the existential threat that they are facing and they must act in self-defense to save themselves. Money and profits do not trump people's lives.

So, please publish my letter as a public service to the people of Colorado. Thank you.

Andrew J. O'Connor
Recently, Colorado Republican legislators acted as lackeys for the oil and gas industry by refusing to keep fracking wells at least 1000 feet from schools and playgrounds refusing to protect our children. Hydraulic fracking companies in Colorado release into the air and inject into the ground, solutions containing known carcinogens endangering our health. In March of 2012, Physicians for Social Responsibility called for a moratorium on fracking in order to protect human health and the environment. In June 2015, New York State banned fracking because of threats to the environment and significant public health risks. Fracking results in air, water and soil contamination; species extinction; ozone depletion; climate change and necessitates medical treatment for skyrocketing cases of asthma, cancer, immune system diseases, cognitive deficiencies, miscarriages and birth defects. So, while the profits from fracking go to the oil and drilling companies, the costs of cleanup, adverse environmental and health consequences will be borne by the people of Colorado. The oil and gas companies are putting their profits ahead of the health of the people in Colorado; consequently, fracking equals murder. Malcolm X said: "I don't call it violence when it's in self defense; I call it intelligence." Coloradans must be intelligent and act in self defense to protect their neighborhoods and children from the existential threat of fracking.
Ludwig of Calgary, Canada fought back by pouring cement down wellheads and blew up wells. If the oil and gas industry puts fracking wells in our neighborhoods threatening our lives and our children's lives then don't we have a moral responsibility to blow up wells and thereby eliminate fracking and oil and gas workers?

Andrew J. O'Connor
1220 W. Devonshire Court
Lafayette, CO 80026
(303) 499-4585
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Jay Pawlak
Hello
My name is Sophia Boedecker. I was born and raised in beautiful Boulder Co. I am writing you to please please extend the moratorium in light of the recent victory of the Martinez Case. Health and safety of the residents and wildlife that live in Boulder County should be the number one priority. We need to protect our air and water from this. We pay in taxes to ensure that open space is kept as a safe and clean place. With fracking going on this puts us and our ecosystem in danger.
I want this to be a place i can raise my children. With the clean pristine and abundant wildlife and magic that i remember from when i was a kid.
Please Please Please
Set and example be brave and fight for what we the people want. No fracking in boulder county.
With love
Sophia Boedecker
Dear Commissioners,

Just a short note to urge you to extend the moratorium against fracking in light of the recent Martinez decision. The ruling on the Earth Guardians’ case places a much higher priority on health and safety.

We also urge you to use Open Space money to fund legal action to protect our Open Space from fracking. Oil and gas exploration on Open Space land is intolerable and must be stopped! Thank you.

Drs. Bob & Marti Hopper
Boulder, 80305

Perhaps you would like to join an activity this weekend in Boulder which we will participate in: “Meditate the Frack Out of Boulder.”

Virus-free. [www.avast.com](http://www.avast.com)
How did it happen that Crestone Peak was approved to drill fracking wells in Gunbarrel?
This is unbelievable!
Please reverse this decision,
Christopher Macor

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"Any time you have the opportunity to make a difference in this world, and you don't, then you are wasting your time on Earth." - Roberto Clemente
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OUR LIVES DEPEND ON IT!! INCLUDING YOURS!!!
To whom it may concern,

Please extend indefinitely the moratorium to prevent fracking in and around Boulder County. The health implications and protection of our water supply is of prime importance and must be preserved at all costs. We have no alternative to clean water, yet there are many options for energy sources. I understand that the Gas and Oil industries contribute financially to the state but the loss of water in our already water compromised region is unacceptable.

I strongly request that you consider my and my fellow community members’ views in this matter. Our health and quality of life depend on your responsible actions.

Sincerely,
Bruce Sterling
4945 Twin Lakes Rd
Boulder, CO 80301

720-252-6652
Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for understanding that Boulder County does NOT want to be fracked. Not our Open Space, not our farmland, foothills, residential zones. I cannot state strongly enough how much I oppose (hate) the thought, and everyone I know feels the same. We are sick at heart. And furious.

Last fall I took a two-night camping trip to the Pawnee National Grasslands and was utterly dismayed at what was happening right there in the grasslands themselves, not to mention the surrounding County. I never made it all the way down the dirt road to the Buttes - it was nearly impassable due several huge fracking trucks and consequent damage. The noise all night from truck traffic on the paved road near the campground never stopped. I drove home the next morning and was so happy to see my beautiful, wholesome Boulder County again. It was a trip into a foul industrial zone, instead of the National Grasslands I had read about and had put on my Colorado bucket list. What an eye-opener. I had taken my bike, planning to ride a lot there - but it would have been crazy to attempt it, given the truck traffic - huge "produced" water tankers and big pickups.

At any rate, there are so many issues - health, safety, land values, roads, air, water, citizens' rights, community rights - laws and regulations, dark money, greed. I am just sick.

Thank you for doing EVERYTHING you can, being as creative as possible, hiring the BEST minds and lawyers to mount the best defense possible to prolong the wait periods, review periods... Please.

Thank you,

--
Ginger Ikeda
3320 15th St
80304

SHARE THE ROAD :)
Riders: Be Bright and Be Seen; Rules of the Road
Drivers: Put down the @%$ cell phone and Save a Life; 3 Feet Between; Pass <15 mph above bike's speed. THANKS!

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not!"
-Dr. Seuss

“It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are.”
-ee cummings
Boulder County Commissioners,

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Best,
Kate Glover
Dear Commissioners,

I spoke with you March 23 at the Fracking Regulations meeting.

I offer additional suggestions:

1. The Colorado Constitution says that the power of the government resides with the people. That makes it possible for the people as individuals to sue the government for not doing the will of the people to protect health and safety, clean water and clear air in this County.

2. Suggestion: adopt the Climate Bill of Rights and its provision that suggests that people who are doing nonviolent direct action against fracking be supported instead of arrested.

3. Suggestion: create and join a consortium of organizations both governmental and non which are working to keep fracking out of Boulder County. Get this organization to work to change the power balance and laws at the State level that allow oil and gas to override the will of the people.

4. Urge and put pressure on oil and gas companies encouraging them to shift to creating renewable energy. Write to and call the companies who apply for fracking permits and say we don’t support their extraction industry methods and will do everything we can to keep them out of Boulder County. Don't just say ok, say NO.

5. Stand up publicly and say strongly over and over that you don’t support fracking in Boulder County and make that clear to the citizens that you support public health and safety, clean air and clean water and that you support those who are working for that as well.

Bottom line: Fracking is harmful and dangerous for people and planet and the law and regulations cannot make it right.

Please do the right thing, and stand up to the law and the CO state government and say NO to Fracking in Boulder County.

Thanks for supporting the will of the people of Boulder County who are showing you they are strongly against fracking,

Bonnie Sundance
From: Meg Jamison
To: Boulder County Oil and Gas Comment
Subject: Extend the Moratorium
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 7:29:57 AM

Dear County Commissioners,

I love Boulder County. I love our green space, our open lands, I love it all. I love that I can breathe the clean mountain air. However, if we allow fracking on Boulder open space, that all will change.

Fracking operations destroy the environment surrounding drill sites and the health of individuals in the vicinity that we do dearly love in Boulder county. These operations significantly reduce air quality and degrade the quality of the land, not only the ability for crops to grow because of the degradation and fumes created due to extraction, but the structure of the earth mantle, which can lead to earth quakes. Additionally, asthma, infant mortality, cancer, and many other illnesses are more common in areas surrounding frack wells. All of these findings are very well documented. The bottom line is - the people of Boulder county do NOT want to live near frack wells.

As a designer, entrepreneur and Boulder citizen, I can honestly say that if Boulder county is fracked, I will consider moving elsewhere. I do not want to live near such toxic pollution or be a part of a County where this is happening. I love Colorado. It has been my home for 4 years. Seeing it degrade and seeing our open space used for commercial use(not agriculture as is intended) would sadden myself and many others in the front range area.

Please extend the fracking moratorium. Let's keep boulder safe and beautiful for decades to come by investing in clean energy!

Meg Jamison
3675 Buckeye court
Beautiful Boulder, CO
6159697447

Sent from my iPhone
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So please extend the moratorium! This is our land. Fracking effects all of us as a whole. The wildlife as well as the people. All water is connected. Think about the generations after us. Your children's children. Fresh water is already so high in demand. And its becoming more endangered everyday. So I ask you to please consider extending the moratorium.

Kayla Lofton
I am writing asking you to prevent oil and gas development in Boulder county.
Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

I am a Boulder native, and like thousands of us I love this town and the incredible quality of life we all have invested in and enjoy. My husband & I recently bought a home in the Heatherwood neighborhood in East Boulder, only to learn weeks after moving in that the threat of fracking is back on our plates, only this time it's being served up right here in Boulder County, just a couple of miles from our home where we intend on raising our young son. I reach out to you today to implore you to take a strong stand alongside your constituents to fight the oil & gas commission in the interest of preserving the environment and human health.

You know the realities of the toxic chemicals used in fracking, the loopholes the O&G companies have enjoyed for far too long at the expense of human life. If this is revenue that the state seeks, it is indeed blood on their hands. It is not too late to take action in the following ways:

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I realize that area #2 is out of your scope, but please be aware of our intentions to do everything in our power as US citizens to protect our home for future generations.

I thank you for your attention to this crucial matter.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Markus
Heatherwood, Boulder, CO
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Jennifer Markus
Wellness entrepreneur
yoga/barre, natural wellness, coaching/private instruction
"It is through your body that you realize you are a spark of divinity."
--BKS Iyengar
Dear County Commissioners -

Please extend the moratorium on fracking. If we need to go back to the CO supreme Court again the citizens of Boulder stand behind you.

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D Hughes
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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing as a concerned citizen of Boulder deeply committed to protecting our community's health and environmental welfare. I spent many weeks collecting signatures for the national ballot measures that failed and feel it is now up to communities to continue forging ahead with defending our rights. Thank you so much for your continued activism in protecting us.

I am requesting that you:

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Thank you again for your bold and courageous stand.

Warmly,

*Danya River*

*Somatic Experiencing® Practitioner*

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(720) 309 5904
Dear County Commissioner,

I live in Boulder county and believe it’s in the best interest of everyone to extend the moratorium and use open space funds.

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Thanks for protecting our beautiful community, health and safety.

Activate Don't Hesitate,

Andy

andydooley.com

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Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for all you have done to delay fracking in Boulder County, to be listening to your constituents and so thoroughly investigating the threats of fracking, while trying to sort out the legal realities.

It is my understanding that there is new legal grounds for a moratorium due to the victory in the Martinez Case. The court determined that oil and gas development has to be done "in a manner consistent with the protection of public health, safety, welfare and the environment, including wildlife".

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Thank you for continuing to put our health and safety first.

Best,

Leila Talore Gass
I am writing you today to beg you to extend the moratorium against fracking in Boulder County. It is an unhealthy and environmentally destructive practice. The oil and gas industry has become so greedy that they are infringing on the people's right to a healthy and safe lifestyle. Across County Line Rd. in Weld County there is currently a massive fracking area that gives off horrible odors and noises at all times of the day. As much as they claim to be highly regulated and safe these fracking companies are not.

As well as pushing their way onto people's private lands they will soon be trying to force their way onto our open spaces. Please do not let them do this, as we have invested millions of tax dollars in these areas. We need and use these areas to exercise, play with our children and enjoy wildlife.

Sincerely,
Heidi Schnabel
Erie, CO
I am emailing to express my concern over possibility of fracking in Boulder County. This is ridiculous and I am appalled by the thought of the gas and oil companies being allowed to drill and frack. When are we all going to wake up? Take some time and educate yourself about the results of fracking. View the statistical data presented by the energy industry and I urge you to watch a movie https://www.amazon.com/GasLand-Josh-Fox/dp/B005C0DHEY which is documentation by a man who dug into what is actually happening in the communities around the country that have allowed fracking to come into their communities. Its deeply disturbing. I am not into conspiracy theories and this movie is not about that. Its about real life testimonials by some of the thousands of people who have been deeply affected, manipulated and hushed by the gas industry.

Pay attention and follow whats in your heart!!! I strongly believe that is all that needs to be said.

Sincerely,
Michael Cutter
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*shana parker Sc.D.*
*licensed psychologist*
*Boulder, CO 80304*
*303-447-2747*

"If one completes the journey to one's own heart, one will find oneself in the heart of everyone else"

*Father Thomas Keating*
I am a homeowner in North Boulder, and am very concerned about fracking. Please do whatever you can to extend the moratorium and protect us. 

thank you

Robert Gass
895 Rainlily Lane
Boulder, 80304
To the Commissioners,

I'm writing as a concerned citizen in Boulder County and as the mother of a 2.5-year-old (with another child on the way in October). I'd urge you to please extend the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County past May 1 -- the health and safety of our community, and the precious natural gifts of this area, deserve our protection. Sacrificing our health and our environment for short-term financial gain is a terrible tradeoff, and I don't wish for my children to grow up in a place where the profits of oil and gas companies take priority over the safety of our community. Boulder County has always been on the leading edge of the environmental movement, and I would hate to see us lose that piece of our character.

In addition, I would love to see open space funds used to support a lawsuit protecting open space from fracking.

Thank you for your time and for hearing input from the community.

Sincerely,

Katie Lacz
Louisville, CO
Dear County Commissioners,

Please extend the moratorium on fracking in our county. Boulder residents value clean open spaces and a healthy place to live. Fracking puts us all at risk for contamination of our water and air and for the possibility of earthquakes.

Boulder residents have invested over $100 million in taxes to open space efforts, which can and should be used to defend this contract in court.

Sincerely,
~Zarah Brown
80305
Dear Commissioners!
We live in such a GREAT COUNTY!!! We attract MANY people who care about health, for themselves and the environment! PLEASE stand strong!

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Laura Lea Cannon
3472 Sunshine Canyon
Boulder, CO 80302
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Hello,

I live in Longmont and work in a Biology lab at CU. I can't imagine any good reason to have fracking in Boulder county beyond making profits for a few at the expense of the rest of us. Keep it in the ground!

Thank you,
Holly Archer
1824 Logan Street
Longmont, CO 80501
From: Valerie
To: Boulder County Oil and Gas Comment
Subject: fracking
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 3:50:48 PM

As a resident of Boulder County since 1983 I am appalled at our governor’s insistence on supporting big oil and gas companies and people who carelessly think Fracking does not effect real people’s lives like my own and my children’s.

There is evidence that fracking causes land disruption in Oklahoma. Fracking is invasive in ordinary people’s lives by noise pollution alone. Health risks are not actually known – scary things such as water and air pollution. I live near an elementary school – is there no concern for our children or who will inherit the effects of these money thirsty companies? If is only money that people care about then what about fracked the property values of our homes?

Please do not allow this awful practice in Boulder county!

Outraged and scared

Valerie Lorig
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Thank you

Hannah Kinderlehrer
Dear County Commissioners,

Thank you for the work that you do.

I respect the oil and gas industry, and I feel more importance in protecting our earth, water and people. With that, I would like to ask you to...

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**Best regards,**

*Soleo Michael*

Boulder County resident
Please extend the moratorium on fracking in Boulder County! Fracking is not part of what we want here. It is unsafe and horrible for the environment. Please use open space funds to fight the state from forcing this on us!

Thank you!
Justine Allison, 80301

Sent from my iPhone
Let’s value our environment and our citizens over the almighty dollar. Please extend the moratorium on fracking, your citizens don’t want fracking here now nor ever.

Gina Caputo
760 32nd Street
Boulder, CO 80303

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gina@coloradoschoolofyoga.org
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Gina Collins, Louisville CO

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RallySport Health & Fitness
Gina on Facebook
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Nicole Pressly Wolf
4730 16th Street
Boulder, CO 80304
917 570 9234

We don't see things as they are, we see them as we are.
—Anais Nin
Please extend the moratorium on fracking. As a taxpayer, I would love to feel that you are protecting the open spaces of our community.

Thank you for your support!

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Ellen Dale
Boulder, CO 80302
To Whom it may concern,

As a resident of Boulder County I am very upset that fracking wells could come to our beautiful area.

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Thank you!  
Karen  S. Wissell

Peace sent from my handheld gadget
Hi Commissioners,

I am a mom of two little girls. My husband and I just moved our family to Lafayette from Erie two months ago to put some distance between our girls and the fracking in Erie. Driving back to Erie recently has confirmed that this was the right thing to do. The number of wells actively being fracked in Erie right now is disheartening to put it mildly.

We understand that Crestone has a plan to put 216 wells in Boulder County between Lafayette and Longmont. More will follow. This cannot be allowed. We don't fully know the specifics of exposing children to the concoction of carcinogens that are off-gassed in the fracking process... but we know enough to be justified in our concern. Recent studies out of CU show that children with Leukemia at Children's hospital in Denver are 4x more likely to come from a town with high concentration of oil and gas. Please do not let this come into our communities.

You have said that we need to take this fight to the state level and I agree. But we cannot do it without you. Boulder County must take this to the state level. Make them deal with this issue by refusing to allow fracking into our community. 1,000 foot setbacks do not make a difference if you are surrounded by wells.

My family and I are going to fight this. But, if it comes, we will not expose our girls to another day of elevated levels of benzene, etc. We will move out of this beautiful state if it comes to that.

Please reconsider your stance and your ability to make a difference in this struggle.

Thanks
Sarah LaBarre
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Take a look at my Upcoming Events.
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Please hear the people who live here and will be breathing this air.

Best,
Anna

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Anna Borys, MS, OTR/L
Lotus Occupational Therapy and Yoga LLC
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Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for fighting to protect us from fracking. I realize there are limitations on what you can do, but I appreciate you continuing this fight.

The thought of fracking on Open Space is horrifying to me. We citizens have invested millions of our tax dollars over many decades in acquiring those lands to be preserved from development. I request that the County (and the City) of Boulder defend in court that contract between local governments and the citizens.

With the recent Martinez case ruling, I believe there is now legal grounds on which to extend the moratorium once again. I urge you to please do that.

Thank you,
Emily Zinn
4615 Macky Way
80305
And use public open space funds to protect our county from oil and gas exploitation.

Lisa Sleeth
508 Hapgood St
Boulder

Sent from my iPhone
Name * Lynn Israel

Organization (optional) PassageWorks Boulder

Email * lisrael@PassageWorks.org

My Question or Feedback most closely relates to the following subject: (fill in the blank) * FRACKING in Boulder County

Comments, Question or Feedback * Please hear every possible angle on how to keep Fracking away from our county. As commissioners, we need you as allies in protecting our health and well being. It is a fact now that fracking is a dangerous practice from numerous perspectives. Our children and families are at risk if we allow this in our County and State for that matter! If we need more oil, let’s stop exporting it and use what we are producing.

Thanks!

Please check box below * I acknowledge receipt of the Open Records Notification
Dear County Commissioners,

We so appreciate all you have already done on behalf of our county regarding fracking.

We are writing to request that we extend the moratorium.

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Many thanks for all you do as County Commissioners.

Sincerely,

Margo King and John Steiner
3286 Plateau Rd.
Longmont, CO 80503