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Gentlemen:

As an adjoining gas and oil rights owner I feel I must object to the Ash Creek Coal Mining Permit renewal.

I love that country where I was raised and it bothers me to see it so disfigured. Ash Creek Mining have done no restoration work in the eighteen years the Mine has existed and now it appears that this will continue until the year 2030. There is a large area where the coal has already been removed that could have (should have) been restored already.

The mined coal will be shipped East and the profits go to the State of Oklahoma. Once permitted for coal mining the land becomes unavailable to explore for gas and oil. Natural gas, methane gas and oil all exist in the area and benefit local communities. In fact a coal methane gas well was started on my property Jan. 7, 1991. My concern is that I don't own the coal rights but, could be denied access to explore for gas and oil if Ash Creek Mining expanded North on to my property.

Another concern is the lack of road maintenance on County Road # 1237. I lived on the property forty years ago and the road was in better shape then, then it is now. Apparently they are not required to maintain or improve it. The road is a disgrace. The Land scared and I see nothing in the permit plans that address my concerns.

Very truly yours,

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