

## Ellen Leatham

I am grateful for this opportunity to urge that we more strongly and appropriately protect the Upper Green River from the irreparable harm that mineral exploration and development will inexplicably bring about. My daughters' lives were changed by their experiences hiking and camping in the Green River watershed with school friends. Their companions are still family, decades later. Every person (in Washington or Oregon or in fact, in every state) deserves that this precious resource be protected and preserved. Thank you for your attention.