

## Brian Cooper

It appears to me that numerous questions were not properly addressed when the DEQ ok'd the release of millions of gallons of oilfield waste to be dumped into the Boysen reservoir tributaries. I have recently purchased property in nearby Shoshoni, WY and have been enjoying the outdoor recreation activities that the area provides (fishing, boating, kayaking, swimming, just to name a few). Boysen reservoir is considered the "Walley Capital of Wyoming" and is home to the related and native Sauger species, the native Burbot (Ling), not to mention crappie, perch, catfish, bluegill and trout. Both the salt content and the heat of the oilfield wastewater would pose a serious threat to not only those species, but many others for hundreds of miles downstream. I feel it would be a serious mistake to allow the plans to proceed without further filtering processes being demanded prior to release. There needs to be a purification process for the wastewater being released into the tributaries and I would argue that it would need to be monitored numerous times per year to protect the waterways and conform to the water qualities set forth by the Clean Water Act. I want both myself and my grandkids (who also are really loving the water) to be able to enjoy the surrounding waterways for the rest of our lives. The reason I bought property in Shoshoni is because of the recreational activities the waterways offered, if these waters are contaminated, there is no reason for me to stay in the area, or for others to visit. Your consideration of this matter is very important. Thank you.