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I believe it is imperative that WDEQ stand firm in their mission and their resolve to protect our state's resources and the health and safety of its citizens. Oil and gas are valuable resources, but so too are clean water, scenic vistas, healthy wildlife and thriving fisheries. The permitting process should represent our very best efforts to ensure that all resources are protected and properly managed. This process should not go forward until Aethon has remediated current violations to the existing permit. These violations highlight the need for vigorous compliance monitoring of an operator of questionable practices. You are the gatekeepers. We are depending on you to structure permits and enter into only those agreements that reflect and protect the best interests of Wyoming. Please do your job.