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Dear Wyoming DEQ,

I would like to thank you for listening to concerns of citizens, and denying the Aethon Energy Company's request for an increase in discharge of oil & gas wastewater from the Moneta Divide field. This will keep the surface waters in the area, including Boysen Reservoir, cleaner and healthier for our state's citizens in the years to come.

I believe that the revised draft permit is greatly improved; however, additional changes are needed to protect water quality and the aquatic life in the Alkali and Badwater creeks.

- Please work with Aethon to clean up the streams. The many years of pollution in Badwater and Alkali creeks have left these streams damaged and in need of remediation.
- Reduce the monthly load of salts that are currently allowed to be discharged, in the existing and proposed discharge permits.
- Act more quickly on compliance with chloride concentrations. A one or two year compliance schedule would be far better in reaching reduced levels of this chemical.
- Please resist and deny any future requests to weaken regulatory standards for chloride in Badwater Creek.

Thank you for your time, I appreciate the opportunity to comment.