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To employees of the DEQ:

I want to thank you for your hearing my community's concerns, and denying Aethon Energy Company's proposal to increase the discharge of oil and gas wastewater from the Moneta Divide field. I urge you to further develop limits on pollutants to ensure oil and gas wastewater does not continue to damage our streams and reservoirs. We owe it to future generations and all species of life to make pro-health and pro-environmental decisions.

Moving forward, please

1. Work with Aethon to clean up the existing damage caused by decades of oil field pollution in these streams.
2. Immediately reduce the monthly load of salts currently authorized in both the existing and proposed discharge permit.
3. Implement a one or two-year compliance schedule to achieve significant reductions in the concentration of chloride allowed in Badwater Creek. The DEQ's proposal to allow Aethon four more years to achieve full compliance with chloride standards is just too long.
4. Deny any future requests to weaken the regulatory chloride standard currently applicable to Badwater Creek.

Thank you for your time and for working behalf of the people of our area.

~Tova Sularz