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I would like to express my support for the proposed new standards to reduce needless emission from new and modified oil and gas facilities statewide. These measures are already being successfully implemented in Wyoming's Upper Green River Basin. These new standards are crucial given the fact that nearly 1 million acres of federal land in Wyoming will be offered for lease by the end of the year.

Methane contributes to the concentration of ground-level ozone. This can have very serious health consequences for our citizens. Ozone decreases lung function, makes lungs more susceptible to infection, aggravates asthma, emphysema, and chronic bronchitis, damages cells that line the lungs, and causes permanent lung damage.

Methane is an extremely potent greenhouse gas and the primary component of natural gas. The impacts of climate change will continue to affect the world we live in in detrimental ways. We have a responsibility to reduce waste on our public lands in order to limit the greenhouse gas emissions needlessly spewed into our atmosphere.

Wyoming is facing very difficult financial challenges. Leaked gas is wasted current and future revenue. This is revenue that is desperately needed by our local governments and schools both now and in the years to come.

Please adopt these new proposed standards.