
From: Food & Water Watch <act@fwwatch.org> on behalf of John Hicks
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Sent: Friday, December 01, 2017 11:14 AM
To: Makita Hill
Subject: Send Stoddard back to Planning & Zoning

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Makita Hill

Dear Hill,

I see no need to rush into this ordinance. The impatience of the oil and gas industry lobby is insufficient reason when Sandoval county residents are overwhelmingly urging you to send the Stoddard ordinance back to the Planning & Zoning Committee. This ordinance provides NO protections to county residents and is a blank check for the oil and gas industry to drill on county land with little oversight.

The amendments separate the county's residents, where some more affluent areas enjoy protections yet rural, poorer areas have none.

The toxic results of using hydraulic fracturing to extract natural gas have led to the contamination of drinking water, serious health impacts and dangerous explosions in states across the country -- among other issues. In order to protect our essential water resources, we need real protection for our health and environment.

I urge you to protect your constituents by denying the Sandoval Oil & Gas Ordinance and returning it to Planning & Zoning.

Sincerely,

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