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Congressman Sidney R. Yates  
2109 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20515-1309

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Dear Congressman Yates:

I am writing to ask you to cosponsor Utah Rep. Wayne Owen's H.R. 1500.

Southern Utah's Kaiparowits Plateau is home to mountain lions, desert bighorn sheep, bald eagles and peregrine falcons and is famed for its many archaeological and paleontological sites. Furthermore, it is one of the largest roadless wilderness areas in the Lower 48. Rep. Owen's bill would help to preserve this area by adding it to the National Wilderness Preservation System. I wholeheartedly endorse this proposal.

Earlier this year I visited southern Utah and gained a personal appreciation for this very delicate and special area. Now I am distressed to learn that it is threatened by efforts by Andalex Resources Inc. to mine coal immediately adjacent to many of the wilderness study areas. Please let me know what I can do block their efforts and please let me know how you can help this effort.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

  
John R. Brzezinski

cc: Cy Jamison, Bureau of Land Management  
Office of Surface Mining  
Senator Paul Simon  
Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance  
Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
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