

Dear Rene Stucky,

I am writing to protest and ask for hearings for two injection well permits by RJM Company in Barton County:

Doll Lease Well No. 3 330 FSL 1860 FWL; located in the SW/4 of the Sec.27 Twp.18S R.11W
and

Riedl Lease and Well No 1 2640 FSL 330 FEL; located in Sec.10 Twp.17S R.14W

These wells are within 10 miles of the Cheyenne Bottoms wetlands, a critical and fragile ecosystem that is an important migratory stop for birds across North America.

Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area is owned by the public, so I have legal standing as a Kansas landowner and I use the area for recreation.

The risks of any unanticipated spills or contamination from toxic saltwater and the risk of induced seismicity from high-volume, high-pressure injection at this spot far outweigh the applicant's profit interest.

I am very concerned about preserving the Cheyenne Bottoms. We MUST preserve this area! Cheyenne Bottoms is especially noted for the concentration of migratory [shorebirds](#) that come here to feed on the mudflats. As many as 600,000 shorebirds from 39 species pass through Cheyenne Bottoms during spring migration and up to 200,000 in fall. About 45 percent of all shorebirds in North America utilize the area. Cheyenne Bottoms is critical habitat for many endangered species, including the [whooping crane](#).^[13]

At least 340 species of birds have been observed at Cheyenne Bottoms.^[3]

As a critical habitat for threatened and endangered bird species, Cheyenne Bottoms is one of 29 places in the United States on the [List of Ramsar wetlands of international importance](#).¹

I hereby respectfully request and authorize electronic notifications in this case and formally protest the lack of due process in your regulation, which require a docket number when one does not exist.

Sincerely,

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