

1. How important do you think it is that the government preserve and protect our community's public lands and open spaces for family recreation and the overall well-being of the environment?

Very important	78%
Somewhat important	15%
Only a little important	4%
Not at all important	2%
Don't know	1%

2. Many families in New Mexico/Colorado have lived this territory for generations, resulting in strong ties and connections to the land. What about you? Do you feel a sense of familial connection to the land in the state of New Mexico/Colorado?

Yes, I have a strong familial connection to the land	82%
No, I do not have a strong familial connection to the land	17%
Don't know	1%

3. How often do you use public lands for recreational purposes such as hiking, fishing, running, walking, hunting or camping? Keep in mind that public lands are not just large state or federal parks, but include many open spaces closer to urban environments such as hiking trails.

Daily	11%
Weekly	24%
Monthly	28%
Yearly	27%
I do not use public lands for recreation	10%

4. [If response to Q3=other than don't use] The next set of questions focus on the ways in which you use public lands or open spaces. I am going to read you a list of activities that many people in Colorado/New Mexico do outdoors. Please let us know any of the following activities you have done at least once over the past year.

Walking, hiking or running	90%
Long drives for relaxation	81%
Camping, backpacking, picnicking	71%
Wildlife viewing / bird watching	51%
Playground activities	51%
Hunting and Fishing	48%
Swimming, rafting or boating	38%
Biking or rock-climbing	34%
Motorcycle/ATV/Snowmobile	23%
Skiing, Snowshoeing	17%
Horseback riding	13%

5. Oil companies often capture large amounts of natural gas when extracting oil on public lands, or land that is owned by taxpayers. If they sell and make a profit on it, they have to pay royalties, but if they burn it, they don't. Those royalties help federal, state, and local governments support public interest efforts like land conservation and addressing these effects of pollution from the burning of natural gas.

Do you favor or oppose a plan that would require oil companies to pay royalties on the gas they burn, given the air and water contamination that could affect your use of public lands for recreation and the cost for clean up? Is that strongly or just somewhat?

Strongly favor	55%
Somewhat favor	22%
Somewhat oppose	6%
Strongly oppose	13%
Don't know	4%
TOTAL FAVOR	77%
TOTAL OPPOSE	19%

6. There is also a debate regarding the environmental impact associated with the release or burning of natural gas during the drilling process. Which of the following statements best reflects your views on this issue?

This process will help lead us to energy independence and create jobs. 42%

Oil drilling and fracking which uses water to fracture deep rock formations to release natural gas requires enormous amounts of electricity and billions of gallons of water, creates toxic pollution, and damages the environment due to the burning of large amounts of natural gas. 49%

Don't know 9%

7. Before the government leases our public lands to oil and gas companies, should they consult our communities to help identify historic lands that are important to our heritage and potentially too valuable to drill?

Yes	95%
No	4%
Don't know	1%

8. Let's talk a little bit about how much money you spend on outdoor recreational activities. Over the past year have you purchased any of the following items for the purpose of engaging in recreational activities?

Camping gear/tent/sleeping bag	38%
Hunting, fishing or trapping license	37%
Bike	34%
Hiking gear or boots	33%
Fishing equipment	32%
Ammunition	21%
All-wheel drive vehicle, 4x4	20%
Lift tickets skiing / snowboarding	14%
Hunting rifle, bow, shotgun	12%
Snow shoes	8%
Cabin or raw land for recreation	7%
Camping trailer / fifth wheel	6%
Skis or snowboard	6%
Trailer to pull boat, motorcycle, ATV	6%
Recreational vehicle / RV	5%
Bike rack	5%
All-terrain vehicle	4%
Tour guide or scout	4%
Boat	3%
Other	2%
Canoe or raft	1%
None of the above	22%

9. Thinking about the items you just noted purchasing, how much money would you say you have spent on outdoor recreation in the past year?

Below \$100	23%
Between \$100 and \$250	22%
Between \$250 and \$500	22%
Between \$500 and \$1,000	15%
More than \$1,000	17%
Don't know	1%

10. Lets think about the future recreational land our children and grandchildren will inherit. Would you say you are very optimistic, somewhat optimistic, somewhat pessimistic or very pessimistic that they will inherit the same quality and abundance of public lands they can use for recreation?

Very optimistic	19%
Somewhat optimistic	41%
Somewhat pessimistic	25%
Very pessimistic	12%
Don't know	3%

11. Let's say there are two candidates running for office, and one candidate supported a proposal to require oil and gas companies to prove that their development efforts would not harm our environment or limit access to open spaces to the public before commercial drilling occurs on public lands -- and the other candidate said oil and gas companies should be able to get started developing right away to create jobs and energy. Which candidate are you more likely to support? [Is that definitely support, or just probably]?

Prove it won't harm environment - DEFINITELY	40%
Prove it won't harm environment - PROBABLY	31%
Allow oil / gas development right away - PROBABLY	13%
Allow oil / gas development right away - DEFINITELY	8%
Neither of these	5%
Don't know / Undecided	4%