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- \times The Wayne is not listening. Tell them our water is the their responsibility. They must do an EIS now! The law is clear.
- No is no! Listen to our community! Stop the spin. Do your job as legally required of you.
- Who has called for an EIS before leasing? OU President McDavis, Athens County Commissioners, State Rep. Debbie Phillips, Athens City Mayor Wiehl, Athens City Council, Athens Wellhead Protection Team, Burr Oak Regional Water District, Hocking River Commission, Athens Conservancy, eight national and regional environmental organizations, and **THOUSANDS OF CITIZENS.**
- The 2012 OU survey found: **75.2**% of respondents felt their **quality of life** would be negatively impacted, 69% said fracking would NOT provide a long-term boost to the local economy, **75.9**% predicted a **negative to extremely negative impact on personal safety**, and **85.1**% said it would have a negative to extremely negative impact on water.
- Because the Wayne owns mineral rights under only some of its land is all the more reason it must protect what it can. The Wayne is required to consider *regional* and *economic impacts* before committing resources. Leasing is a significant commitment of resources.
- The Wayne 2006 Forest Plan but did NOT consider fracking. Fracking will have significant impacts—with extremely high stakes—that require a new EIS *BEFORE* more leasing occurs. An EIS requires PUBLIC INPUT. An EIS after leasing cannot decide the central issue—whether to lease—and cannot protect our communities from cumulative impacts of truck traffic, accidents, air pollution, and destroyed tourism. Anne Carey has full power to say NO and to authorize an EIS. The time is NOW to listen to us as the law requires.
- Follow Alabama's lead where pulling of parcels from a BLM lease sale led to initiation of a **PUBLIC INPUT process**. We deserve as much.

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