

KELLY DIMMICK: My name is Kelly Dimmick, and I'm with Skyline Mine, and I'm here to ask to stop the current moratorium on coal leases. I live in Fairview, Utah and have seen a lack of and the benefits of funding federal coal leases. I was Fairview City rec director for seven years, and you can see one of the benefits of the coal leases if you travel down to Carbon and Emery County. They have the nicest playgrounds and parks with the ball diamonds and soccer fields which all have lights, and RC airport and track that they have for the radio controlled cars. In Fairview, in Sanpete, we're limited because of the lack of the funds of the coal leases we do not have there as of yet. As a rec director I hope for the day to put together a park with that kind of funding. As a 26-year coal miner, I can see the benefits of what just my mine has on Fairview City. There is 51 employees at Skyline Mine at the Fairview 84629 area ZIP code. The average direct income from the mine at Fairview is \$3,570,000 annually, which does not include the benefits that go toward local hospitals, doctor's offices, dentists and the pharmacist. I too spend a lot of time in the mountains on the lakes and in the woodland area. I take my grandkids and fish downstream of my mine at Scofield Reservoir. We eat the fish and the crawdads that we catch. I have ran a half marathon down the Huntington Canyon that has a power plant at the bottom. I run a full marathon through the San Rafael which has a power plant you can see from the starting line. I invite you to run or drive both two of the prettiest, diverse areas you'll ever see. A lot of the things that I've read and seen on the battle between coal and the environmental groups has caused me over the years to look into some of the topics. As far as climate change, history has proven that yes, there is climate change. The last ice age ended 11,000 years ago. What caused it to end? What will cause it to begin again? I do not know, but if history repeats itself and the earth repeats the past cycles it will happen again. If you look up the Greenland ice sheet you will find it has retreated and expanded many times. What causes the cycle? Coal wasn't around for the previous cycle, so why all the blame now? If you look at a recent photo of the Antarctic ice sheet from the NASA photo of October of 2015, it's as big as an area as it's ever been. I'm not saying stop caring and let the world go. I'm saying take a look at yourself and what impact you have and what each one of us can do. Myself, I work for a coal mining operation that has not had an environmental citation in ten years. I carpool to work. Maybe instead of "Leave in the ground," how about "Leave it in the garage." If you live in

Utah, eight out of ten of each one of us in this room rely on coal for power, so tonight when you go home, turn on your lights, computer, and watch TV, I would ask you think about tomorrow some of the people in this room, when your lights turn on, will gear up, go underground to make sure you can enjoy all the modern era has provided.