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. Let's 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%