

President Joseph R. Biden Jr.
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden:

_____ strongly supports the designation of Castner Range as a National Monument.

Castner Range is a west Texas crown jewel and the designation of this land as a national monument would offer protection from future land use for the cultural, historical, scientific and environmental connections to the region. Further, scientific research increasingly shows a strong link between mental health benefits and the natural environment.

Personally, _____ feels that your preservation of these cherished resources will be a great benefit to our region's large active duty and veteran population. Castner Range is located near Fort Bliss and the White Sands Missile Range which form the largest Army installation in the world at 3.3 million acres. This includes the Army's largest training area. Additionally, Fort Bliss, which currently owns Castner Range, trains more than 80,000 service members each year. Protecting Castner Range as a national monument would ensure that service members and veterans could heal from the trauma of war and reconnect with family.

This relationship between the U.S. military and our national public lands is one that must have the opportunity to flourish in the future, just as it's done in the past. In fact, veterans and active duty members of the Army were the first stewards of places like Yellowstone and Yosemite, before park rangers even existed. We believe making Castner Range a national monument would continue this long standing partnership and bring much local and national pride to an area that has endured hardship in recent years.

We strongly urge you to permanently protect Castner Range Monument, and leave a legacy that protects the past – and future – of this national treasure for all time.

Sincerely,

Name: _____

Business Name (or attach card): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____