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I am a North Central Kansas Area resident. I live in Republic County, Kansas near the Republican River where we reside and farm several hundred acres of corn, soybeans and wheat. My County Commissioners signed a resolution in opposition to a National Heritage Area Park which is being proposed for North Central Kansas and South Central Nebraska. In addition, our county commissioners are now being encouraged to sign a resolution in opposition to Biden's 30 X 30 Initiative. My County Attorney is working on this resolution to make it applicable to our county. In the meantime, I want to affirm our (my husband's and my) strong opposition to the 30 X 30 Initiative that is being proposed which looks to afford a strategic part in diminishing private property ownership in favor of Green New Deal, federal government aspirations.

As I stated, we live near the Republican river and much of our land borders it, making it a viable resource for what the federal government may decide or intend to do as far as water ways are concerned and for that matter, how that may also affect our ability to irrigate our land that is adjacent to the river. It has been an ongoing concern for some time now and we do not trust whatever intentions this may involve where the federal government is concerned. We need our state elected officials to come on board and give support to standing in opposition to this very possible, 30 X 30 land grab by a control-hungry federal government.

Thank you.

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A concerned Republic County Kansas resident