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Sent: Friday, August 28, 2009 10:38 AM
To: Holst, Jon; Spray, Karen
Subject: Re: 4M Monitoring Wells - Form 2A Waiver Request - IMPORTANT

Karen,

The County waives it review of the 2A form.

Victoria

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From: "Spray, Karen" <Karen.Spray@state.co.us>
To: "Victoria Schmitt" <schmittvl@co.laplata.co.us>, "Holst, Jon" <Jon.Holst@state.co.us>
Date: 8/28/2009 10:35 AM
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Victoria & Jon:

COGCC is planning to install 4 new monitoring wells along the Outcrop in La Plata County this fall. The locations are as follows: Palmer Ranch SWNW Sec 19 T35N R8W NMPM; Fiddler NW Sec 15 and SW Sec 10 T35N R8W and BP-Hoier NW Sec 15 T35N R7W. I have attached graphics depicting where the proposed 4M monitoring wells will be located. Victoria, these are from the adjacent surface owner notification letters that were sent via certified mail on August 21, 2009 per the County permit requirements.

These are not oil and gas facilities and COGCC is not required to obtain APD's for these wells; instead we can merely permit them as monitoring wells with the State Engineer. However, we prefer to have them in our system so we can track them easily and it provides an electronic repository for all documents associated with the wells (which are then also easily available to the public). With that said, under our new rules we will be filing Form 2a's which have a review/comment period for both the LGD (Victoria) and DOW (Jon). There are no Rule 317B waters associated with these locations so CDPHE will not be consulted. In order to facilitate getting our crews into the field as soon as possible, I am requesting from both of you a written confirmation (email is fine) that both the County and DOW will waive their Form 2a review for these wells. If I can obtain this confirmation we will submit a request to our Director to expedite the in-house review.

It is our intent to get our crews into the field as soon as possible to avoid weather and loss of daylight issues (we are drilling daylight hours only). This is the final field portion of the 4M Project that was requested by the County in late 2006 and will provide additional monitoring locations with the intent of protecting human health and the environment.

I would be happy to meet with either or both of you to explain what will be happening in the field if that helps with this decision.

Thank you in advance,

Karen

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