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RE: CDOW General BMPs for 27I Pad and those Specific to Lynx Habitat

Specific to Lynx Habitat:

1. Utilize remote monitoring (SCADA) of sites that are located in lynx habitat, to reduce disturbance from well visitation when possible.
2. Close and immediately reclaim all roads that are redundant, not used regularly, or have been abandoned to the maximum extent possible to minimize disturbance and habitat fragmentation.
3. Report all lynx sightings to DOW.
4. Minimize traffic in occupied lynx habitat between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

General Areawide BMPs for all wildlife:

- Attempt Phased Development emphasizing the following operational highlights for maximum wildlife mitigation for the life of the project:
 - ☐ Multi-well pads on sectional drilling for one-time surface disturbance and interim reclamation
 - ☐ No more than 3-4 drill rigs in the area at any given time (average 1-2)
 - ☐ Semi-closed and/or closed mud loop system
 - ☐ Gathering lines buried adjacent to or in the road, where possible
 - ☐ Engineered pads with erosion control measures taking into account nearby wildlife and riparian habitat
 - ☐ Initiate interim reclamation as soon as possible

- Educate employees and contractors about specific wildlife issues:
 - ☐ No fishing in Battlement Creek
 - ☐ Use bear-proof containers for all human-related trash
 - ☐ Pay close attention to vehicle traffic and speeds during the three critical hours surrounding the dusk and dawn hours
 - ☐ Maintaining a single use/ clean hose for drawing water from local sources to prevent cross-contamination with diseases and bacteria. (Noble does not have any water rights of their own and relies on contractor water rights for fresh water. 99% of this water comes from a single extraction point of the Colorado River.)
- Continue conversations with private landowners to:
 - ☐ Restrict access with gates and/or incorporate speed limit signs
 - ☐ Control hunting and over-grazing
 - ☐ Suggest overgrowth vegetation control with chippers/ hydro-axing (if convenient while clearing a pipeline anyway)
- Add CDOW to SPCC Notification List
- Maintain a Land Management Prescription for the Noble Surface Area
 - ☐ Controlled Access – locked gates at four locations (or more):
 - SWSE of Section 26 of T7S, R95W
 - SENE Section 25 of T7S, R95W
 - SWSE of Section 25 of T7S, R95W
 - NWNE of Section 36 of T7S, R95W

Thank you and please do not hesitate to call with any questions,

Yours truly,



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