

**From:** [Prince, Nancy](#)  
**To:** [Yokley, Bill](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Ultra El Paso County locations  
**Date:** Thursday, March 08, 2012 4:31:14 PM  
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**From:** Prince, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2012 8:41 AM  
**To:** 'Debbie Ghani'  
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**From:** Smeins, Melissa J [<mailto:msmeins@blm.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 05, 2012 7:13 AM  
**To:** Prince, Nancy  
**Cc:** Dickerson, Jimmy W; Hendricks, Marvin L.; Larson, Joan L; Debbie Ghani; Sutphin, Dirk; Stanczyk, Jane  
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Thank you!

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**From:** Prince, Nancy [<mailto:Nancy.Prince@state.co.us>]  
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**To:** Smeins, Melissa J  
**Cc:** Dickerson, Jimmy W; Hendricks, Marvin L.; Larson, Joan L; Debbie Ghani; Sutphin, Dirk; Stanczyk, Jane  
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Melissa,

See below for COGCC's response to your question about protection of coals at the Ultra Ponderosa locations. It appears that the proposed casing program meets BLMs goals. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

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**From:** Sutphin, Dirk  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2012 4:04 PM  
**To:** Prince, Nancy  
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Nancy,

We require surface casing at least 50' below base of Fox Hills (bFH), ie. 50' below top of Pierre Shale.

At PONDEROSA 41-17 1H bFH is 5188' amsl (1311' bgs).

At PONDEROSA 41-17 3H bFH is 5189' amsl (1308' bgs).

The operator proposes 1400' at both.

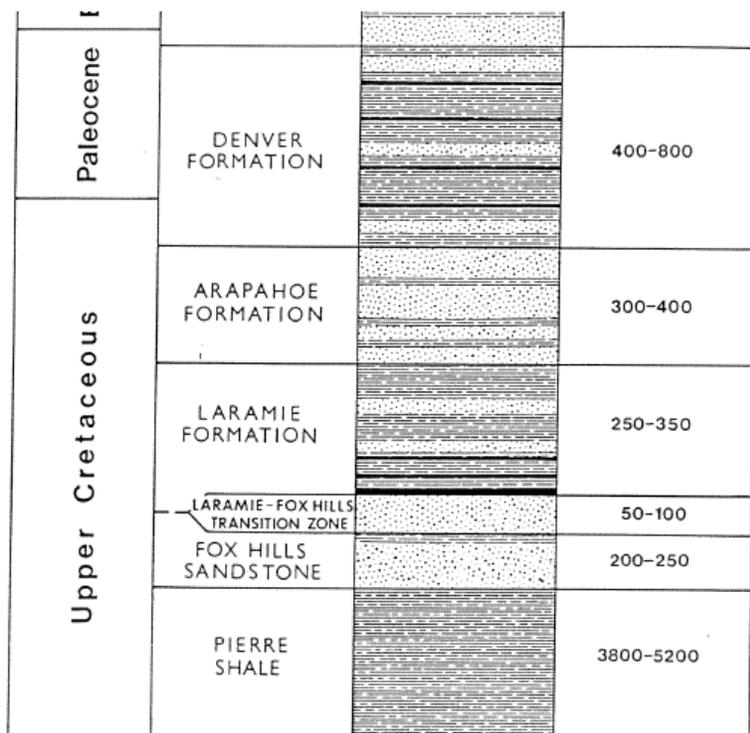
At the PONDEROSA 41-17 1V, API# 041-06067, approved F2# 400244338 the depths are (5179' amsl, 1326' bgs, 1400' surface casing proposed).

Since the coals are in the Laramie Fm the coals will be covered by the surface casing in all 3 wells.

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**From:** Prince, Nancy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 29, 2012 3:55 PM  
**To:** Sutphin, Dirk  
**Subject:** FW: Ultra El Paso County locations



\*NOT TO SCALE  
This stratigraphic column is from Resource Series #27, Colorado Geologic Survey, <http://geosurveystore.state.co.us/p-656-coal-resources-of-the-colorado-springs-12-x-1-quadrangle-colorado.aspx>, which indicates that the Denver and Laramie formations are the coal zones in the area of eastern county we are interested in.

Please verify that these zones are being protected by surface casing in the Ponderosa wells as requested by BLM in the email below.

Thanks,

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Hi Nancy,

Thanks for the heads up on this, in this case where there Federal Coal is not held by a lease and there is no apparent interest in the coal, We just want to ensure that Federal Coal is protected behind sufficient surface casing, for this well.

The BLM becomes more involved in situations where the Federal Coal is leased or there is active mining, at that point we would need to coordinate because certain types of coal mining are incompatible with Oil & Gas development.

Thanks again and I would be glad to get these heads up from you in the future.

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**From:** Larson, Joan L  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 28, 2012 4:15 PM  
**To:** Smeins, Melissa J  
**Cc:** Dickerson, Jimmy W; Hendricks, Marvin L.  
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Jimmy and Marvin – I was very curious so I pulled the information and went and talked to Melissa. She’s the lucky winner!!! Ding, ding, ding.

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**From:** Hendricks, Marvin L.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 28, 2012 3:57 PM  
**To:** Prince, Nancy  
**Cc:** Dickerson, Jimmy W; Larson, Joan L  
**Subject:** RE: Ultra El Paso County locations

Nancy,

Thanks for the heads-up on this action. I’ll distribute this around the office to see who handles this, and get back to you once I know more.

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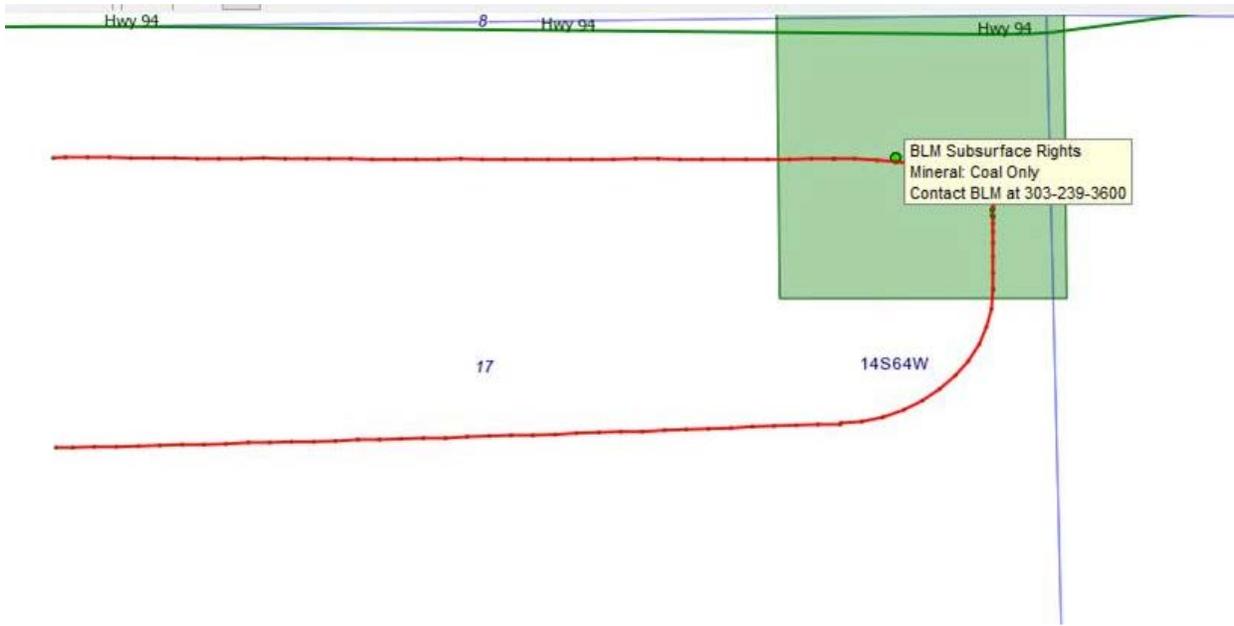
Marvin,

As we discussed, Ultra Petroleum has filed permit applications on land in El Paso County where BLM owns the coal right according to the BLM map overlay. This is a courtesy notification. If more is required, or if you have further questions, please let me know.

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API #041-06067 Ponderosa 41-17 1V has been issued  
Application Form 2#400250585 Ponderosa 41-17 1H in review  
Application Form 2#400252249 Ponderosa 41-17 1H in review

Here is a screen shot of the COGCC map layer.



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