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Greg Deranleau  
Oil & Gas Location Assessment Supervisor  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
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RE: Staley Pad 7-J Form 2a, Document No 400421901

Dear Mr. Deranleau:

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPWO) received an e-mail from Todd Spivey of Petroleum Field Services on July 25, 2013 which included a map showing the location of a possible bald eagle nest located in Section 7, T6N, R67W, Weld County. Todd also indicated the nest would be within ¼-mile of proposed oil and gas facilities. These facilities are listed on Form 2a for the Staley Pad 7-J, Document No. 400421901. The Staley Pad 7-J Form 2a application does not indicate this location is in a sensitive wildlife habitat area or in a wildlife restricted surface occupancy area. Further, no eagle nest is identified on wildlife maps provided by CPW to COGCC and shown on the COGCC website. Therefore, no wildlife consult with CPW was triggered. And, we understand the 20-day public comment period for the Staley Pad 7-J Form 2a has already expired.

In response to the concerns raised by Mr. Spivey, CPW's District Wildlife Manager, Brandon Muller, visited the site recently. He was unable to find any evidence of an active bald eagle nest at the location indicated by Mr. Spivey. He also did not see any bald eagles during his visit. While we accept that Mr. Spivey saw a nest and bald eagle at the nest in March and May 2013, Mr. Spivey also reported to us that there was no nest activity in July when he visited the nest again.

Since we are unable to verify the presence of an active nest this year and have no knowledge of an active nest at the site in previous years, CPW is not recommending any application of Best Management Practices (BMP's) related to a bald eagle nest and oil and gas development related to the Staley Pad 7-J, in Section 7, T6N, R67W, Weld County. We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this information.

Sincerely,

Tom Schreiner  
NE Region Energy Liaison

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Rob Young, COGCC; Todd Spivey, PFS; DeAnne Spector, PFS

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