



February 28, 2017

Mr. Mike Gardner  
TEP Environmental Specialist  
TEP Rocky Mountain LLC  
1058 County Road 215  
Parachute, Colorado 81635

**RE: Status Report: Baseline Water Quality Sampling – Drill Pad TR 24-21-597**

Dear Mr. Gardner,

Western Water & Land, Inc. (WWL) completed a hydrologic Water Source evaluation for the TEP Rocky Mountain LLC (TEP) TR 24-21-597 Drill Pad in accordance with Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) Rule 609. Drill Pad TR 24-21-597 is located in SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, Section 21, Township 5 S, Range 97 W, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. This status report addresses field revisions and the sampling location status as relevant to the original executed Baseline Water Quality Evaluation dated December 3, 2013.

The original evaluation considered all Water Sources as defined in Rule 609 within a 0.5-mile radius of the referenced drill pad. Water Sources located within a 0.5-mile radius of the TR 24-21-597 Drill Pad are shown in Figure 1. Please see the original Baseline Water Quality Evaluation (December 3, 2013) for details on how the evaluation was conducted.

### **Water Source Identification**

Water Sources as defined in Rule 609 include Colorado Division of Water Resources (DWR) registered water wells (water wells with existing valid well permits), permitted or adjudicated springs, and monitoring wells installed for baseline sampling and monitoring under COGCC Rules 318A.e(4), 608, 609, or 908. Each Water Source identified within the 0.5-mile radius area is considered to be a potentially Available Water Source unless existing information suggests that the Water Source would not be suitable for the baseline water quality program. The original Baseline Water Quality Evaluation identified five potentially Available Water Sources located within 0.5 miles of the TR 24-21-597 Drill Pad (see Figure 1).

The identified potentially Available Water Sources are summarized as follows:

- Getty Spring 14A
- Getty Spring 14B
- Getty Spring 14C
- Getty Spring 14D

- Getty Spring 15A

**Preferred Water Sources**

In accordance with Rule 609, all potentially Available Water Sources within a 0.5-mile radius of the drill pad are to be identified and up to a maximum of four sources must be included in the baseline and subsequent monitoring program. Each potentially Available Water Source identified was evaluated based on WWL’s hydrologic knowledge of the region, general hydrologic rationale, and in accordance with the guidelines specified in Rule 609 to identify the preferred sources for the baseline program. The preferred potentially Available Water Sources selected are as follows:

- Getty Spring 14A
- Getty Spring 14C
- Getty Spring 14D
- Getty Spring 15A

Preferred Water Sources are incorporated into the baseline water quality monitoring program provided 1) the structures exist; 2) the structure owner, or land owner if the structure owner is not known, grants approval to sample the source; and 3) inspection of the structure confirms that a representative sample can be obtained from the structure.

**Access Request**

All attempts requesting permission to sample potentially Available Water Sources from the well permit holders and the property owners are recorded in the Correspondence Logs below. Access request letters, certified mailing receipts, mailings that were returned to sender, mailed responses, and email correspondence are included in Attachment A.

<b>Correspondence Log: TR 24-21-597</b>				
<b>Contact Attempt Date</b>	<b>Contact Name</b>	<b>Contact Method</b>	<b>Responsible Person</b>	<b>Results</b>
12/4/2013	Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company	Certified Mail: Access Request Letter	Nick Solawetz, WWL	Returned to sender
12/4/2013	Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company	Certified Mail: Access Request Letter	Nick Solawetz, WWL	Returned to sender
12/4/2013	Chevron USA, Inc, C/O Chevron Texaco Property Tax	Certified Mail: Access Request Letter	Nick Solawetz, WWL	No response
11/30/2016	Kevin McCarty Chevron Land Representative	Email	Bryan Hotard	Access granted for all potentially Available Water Sources

## Field Results

Each identified potentially Available Water Source and its monitoring status is as follows:

- Getty Spring 14A: water right owned by Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company and property owned by Chevron USA, Inc.
  - Access to sample this spring was granted by Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company on November 30, 2016. WWL was unable to locate the spring location or any surface water in the vicinity of the decreed location during field reconnaissance on December 1, 2016.
- Getty Spring 14B: water right owned by Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company and property owned by Chevron USA, Inc.
  - Access to sample this spring was granted by Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company on November 30, 2016. WWL conducted sampling of the spring on December 1, 2016.
- Getty Spring 14C: water right owned by Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company and property owned by Chevron USA, Inc.
  - Access to sample this spring was granted by Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company on November 30, 2016. WWL was unable to locate the spring in the vicinity of the decreed location during field reconnaissance on December 1, 2016.
- Getty Spring 14D: water right owned by Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company and property owned by Chevron USA, Inc.
  - Access to sample this spring was granted by Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company on November 30, 2016. WWL conducted sampling of the spring on December 1, 2016.
- Getty Spring 15A: water right owned by Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company and property owned by Chevron USA, Inc.
  - Access to sample this spring was granted by Chevron North America Exploration and Production Company on November 30, 2016. WWL determined this spring to be outside of the 0.5-mile sampling radius.

WWL personnel conducted a broad field reconnaissance on December 1, 2016 in the area where Getty Spring 14A and Getty Spring 14C are located according to DWR databases. Snow cover of up to 2 feet was present during the reconnaissance, and may have affected observations. The area was characterized by quaking aspen, Gambel oak, and sagebrush plant communities. The springs decreed locations are near a stream channel of an unnamed tributary to Short Gulch. No water was flowing in the creek in the vicinity of Getty Spring 14A, and no spring emanation point was identified. Water was flowing in the creek in the vicinity of Getty Spring 14C; however, no spring emanation point was identified at Getty Spring 14C. The decreed location of Getty Spring 15A was found to be outside of the 0.5-mile sampling radius. The decreed location of the springs are shown in Figure 1. Pictures from field reconnaissance and sampling are included in Attachment B, with the exception of the Getty Spring 14C area. As a result of these events, Getty Spring 14B and Getty Spring 14D are the only Available Water Sources included in the baseline water quality sampling program for Drill Pad TR 24-21-597.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (970) 242-0170.

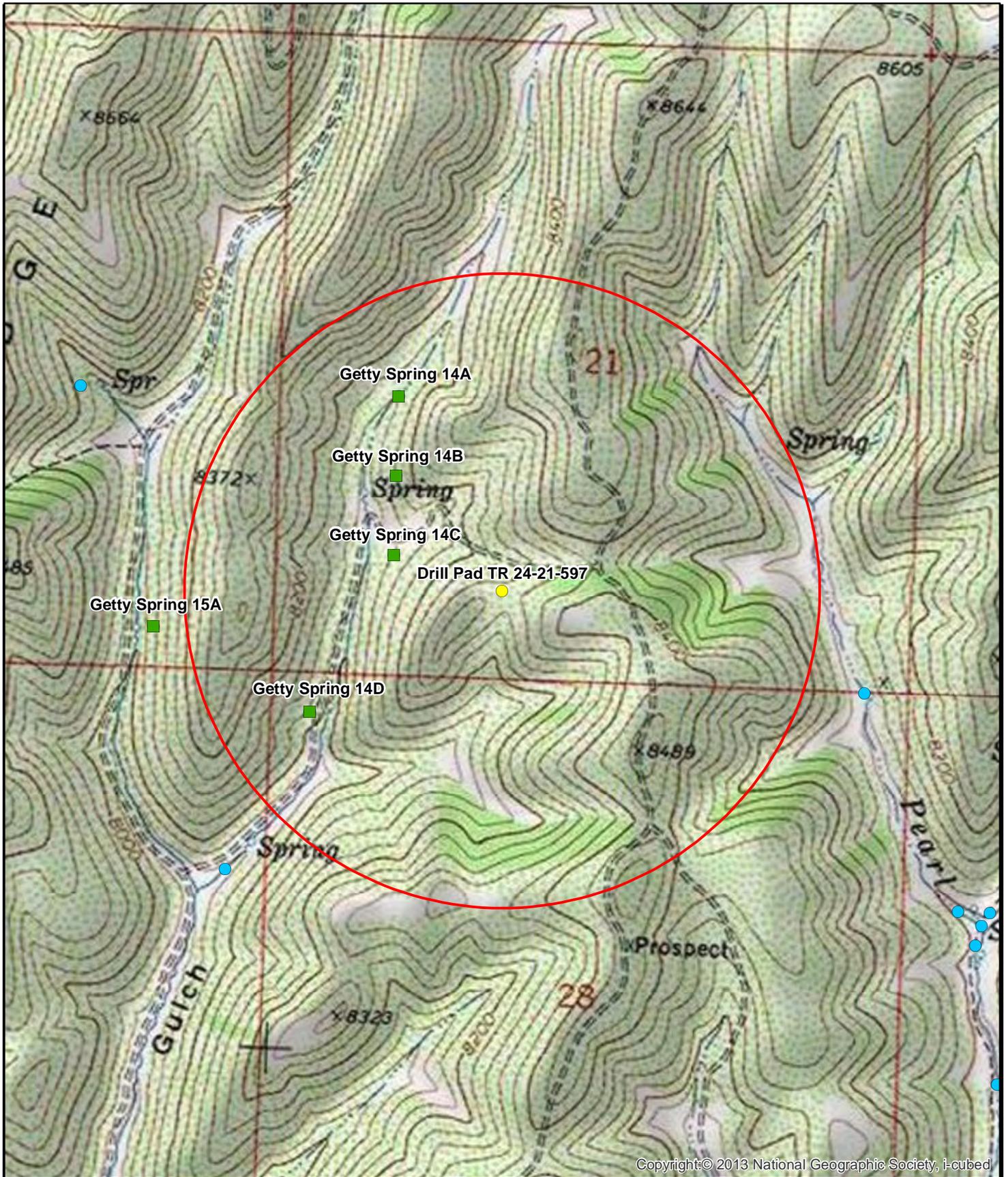
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce D. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and "S".

Bruce D. Smith  
Principal Hydrogeologist  
WESTERN WATER & LAND, INC.

Attachments:

Figure 1 – Water Source Evaluation Map  
Attachment A – Access Request Documentation  
Attachment B – Photographs



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**Legend**

- Decree
- Constructed well
- Outside sources
- Drill Pad TR 24-21-597
- 0.5-Mile Radius Evaluation Area
- Completion Status Unknown

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**Figure 1: Drill Pad TR 24-21-597**  
**0.5 Mile Radius Water Source Evaluation**  
**SE1/4, SW1/4, S21, T5S, R97W, 6 PM**

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Garfield County, Colorado

WPX Energy Rocky Mountain LLC



Western Water & Land, Inc.  
Applications in Earth Science

Basemap Source: Esri ArcGIS Online

**Attachment A**

**Access Request Documentation**



December 4, 2013

Chevron Texaco Shale Oil Company  
6400 South Fiddler's Green Circle  
Englewood, CO 80111

RE: **Baseline Groundwater Monitoring Program**

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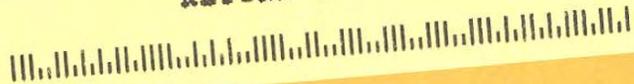
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## Shelby Goodwin

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**Attachments:** Baseline Sampling SOW TR 44-27-597.docx; Baseline Sampling SOW TR 24-21-597.docx

Bryan,

Please proceed with baseline water sampling in strict compliance with the attached scope of work documents.

Thank you,

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**BASELINE WATER SAMPLING**  
**SCOPE OF WORK**  
TR 24-21-597

**Purpose of Sampling**

- The purpose of this proposed sampling event is to collect baseline water quality (“BWQ”) samples from the available water sources (“AWSs”) identified below and on the map attached as Figure 1 prior to commencement of drilling. BWQ samples are required to comply with COGCC Rule 609.

**Terms and Conditions**

- Prior to accessing any Chevron land and conducting any work under this scope of work:
  - TEP Rocky Mountain LLC (“TEP”) must contact Chevron’s Ranch Manager, Craig Tysse, to arrange for a pre-job safety meeting and facilitate access to the AWSs. Mr. Tysse’s contact information is provided below.
  - All individuals conducting work hereunder on behalf of TEP, and Western Water & Land, Inc. (“WWL”) must attend a pre-job safety meeting with Chevron.
  - The following topics will be addressed at the pre-job meeting:
    - Other activities occurring on Chevron lands
    - Safety concerns
    - Hunting seasons
    - Cattle/livestock gathering activities that may be occurring in the area
- Sampling personnel must wear florescent safety vests at all times in the field, and must not interfere with or approach any hunting or agricultural activities.
- A Chevron employee or contractor must be present on the land for the duration of the work.
- Chevron has the right to stop work if any actions, inactions, or conditions on the Land constitute a health, safety, or environmental threat, or agreement violation. TEP and WWL must immediately cease work upon receiving direction to stop work from Chevron.
- TEP and WWL are permitted to:
  - collect BWQ samples at the AWSs identified below in strict compliance with this scope of work
  - access the AWSs by foot traffic using the access routes depicted in yellow on the attached Figure 1
  - use vehicles on existing industry-maintained roads, provided travel conditions are suitable for same
- All work conducted under this scope of work must be during daylight hours (between sunrise and sunset).
- Sampling personnel will be required to “check in / check out” with the Chevron representative at the beginning and end of each day. The primary purpose of this check in / check out is to simply notify Chevron of when sampling personnel are on Chevron property and when they have safely exited Chevron property. A phone call is considered adequate for the purposes of making this notification.
- TEP must ensure all personnel conducting work hereunder receive and review this scope of work and the attached documents prior to accessing the land
- TEP and WWL are prohibited from:
  - disturbing, digging, or excavating on Chevron land absent a separate written approval
  - collecting water samples at any other location(s) or water sources on Chevron land absent a separate written approval

### **Emergency Communications**

- WWL sampling personnel must travel and perform work in pairs (buddy system), and to carry a cell phone and GPS should any emergency communication needs arise.
- Be aware of changing weather conditions. Plan and dress accordingly.
- TEP and Chevron personnel will review and reinforce all Chevron ranch rules (No guns, hunting, dogs, drugs, alcohol, off-road use, obey posted speed limits, etc.) with sampling personnel. Any violation of ranch rules will not be tolerated, and will be grounds to terminate the work being performed, and workers will be escorted off the property.

### **Available Water Sources**

- Below are the AWSs located in Sections 20, 21, and 28, Township 5 South, Range 97 West, 6th P.M., Garfield County, Colorado:
  - Getty Spring 14A
  - Getty Spring 14B
  - Getty Spring 14C
  - Getty Spring 14D
  - Getty Spring 15A

### **Timeline**

- The scope of work described herein must be completed before December 9, 2016.

### **Key Field Personnel**

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COGCC Rule 609 requires TEP to immediately notify the Director and Chevron if: a) the test results indicate thermogenic or a mixture of thermogenic and biogenic gas; b) the methane concentration increases by more than 5.0 mg/l between sampling periods; or c) the methane concentration is detected at or above 10 mg/l. In addition, TEP is required to immediately notify the Director if BTEX compounds or TPH are detected in a water sample. TEP will make all reasonable efforts to notify Chevron prior to any such notification to the COGCC.



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**Legend**

- Decree
- Access Area

**Figure 1: Drill Pad TR 24-21-597 BWQ Sampling  
 Spring Reconnaissance and Sampling Area  
 S20, 21, & 28, T5S, R97W, 6 PM**

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 WPX Energy Rocky Mountain LLC  
 Basemap Source: Esri ArcGIS Online

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**ATTACHMENT B**

**Photographs**



**Photo 1. Creek bed near Getty Spring 14A decreed location**



**Photo 2. Getty Spring 14B Sampling Location (Getty 14B)**



**Photo 3. Getty Spring 14D Sampling Location (Getty 14D)**