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Project Information:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will be preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the North Dutch John #1 well proposal. Questar Exploration has indicated their intent to drill in the Wild Horse Basin south of Rock Springs, Wyoming.

An initial onsite meeting was held between Questar and the Rock Springs Field Office (RSFO) staff on April 10, 2008. During this initial onsite meeting proposal, the BLM RSFO staff relocated the original well proposal to an existing well location and existing access road nearby in T. 12 N., R. 107 W., Section 3.

The BLM RSFO staff held a second onsite with the Wyoming Department of Game and Fish and Questar Exploration on May 19, 2009. During the onsite meeting, Questar Exploration agreed to avoid drilling activities from September 1 through November 30 to eliminate any interference with archery and rifle hunting seasons. Drilling will also be restricted from November 15 through April 30 to avoid elk and mule deer crucial winter range. This stipulation was added to the Authorization for Permit to Drill (APD).

In addition to the onsite meeting, the BLM RSFO hosted a public tour of the well location on August 18, 2009. An invitation was posted through the adjacent media outlets on August 12, 2009. Public tour attendance was minimal. One comment was received from the Wyoming Game and Fish Department addressing drilling activities and hunting time frames.

Sincerely,

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