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Public Notice

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Glenwood Springs Energy Office is initiating an environmental assessment (EA) for the Spruce Creek Master Development Plan (SCMDP) submitted by Williams Production, RMT (Williams) for proposed oil and gas exploration and development approximately 9 miles east of Parachute, Garfield County, Colorado. The SCMDP proposal, prepared by Williams and submitted to the BLM, describes the operator's plan for development of both Federal leases and private mineral estate within the area and provides details regarding proposed well pads, roads, and pipelines.

The proposal includes the drilling of 58 wells in a 3-4 year period, beginning in late summer 2008. The wells would be drilled from 3 proposed well pads and one existing pad, and would require the improvement of existing roads and the construction of approximately 4,200 feet of new road. Additionally, the gathering system for the proposed wells would require installation of 9,163 feet of buried pipelines. Directional and closed loop drilling technology would be used to drill the majority of the wells.

The SCMDP area encompasses approximately 1,293 acres of both Federal and private surface and mineral ownership within portions of Sections 4 and 9, T7S, R94W, Sixth Principal Meridian. The SCMDP is accessed along Garfield County Road 320 to 329 (Spruce Creek Road). Public motorized access is available to the SCMDP area on County Roads.

The BLM will prepare an EA to disclose the direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental impacts of the development plan and a No Action alternative. The BLM is soliciting input on the issues that will be considered in the preparation of the EA. At this time, you are encouraged to provide any comments, issues, or concerns that you may have with regard to the proposed development plan.

To best facilitate BLM's review and use of comments during the EA process, comments must be received by July 23, 2008. Written comments and questions should be directed to the Glenwood Springs Energy Office at 2425 South Grand Avenue, Suite 101, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601. Electronic comments may be submitted to gsfomail@co.blm.gov

Copies of the SCMDP that further detail the proposed oil and gas development are available for review at the BLM Glenwood Springs Energy Office, 2425 South Grand Avenue, Suite 101, Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Digital copies of the SCMDP proposal and project maps are available at http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/gsf/GSFO_MasterPlansOfDevelopment.html