FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND DECISION OF RECORD

Project:	San Juan 28-6 Unit #460 S
EA Number:	NM F010-2011-80
Surface Location:	770' FSL, 1,715' FWL, Section 16, T 28 N, R 6 W
Bottom Hole Location:	710' FNL, 1,715' FWL, Section 21, T 28 N, R 6 W
Production Zone:	Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs Formations
Lease Number:	NMSF 079193
Inspection Date:	9/1/10
Cultural Report Number:	2009 (III) 059.1 F

Finding of No Significant Impact

Impact identification and analysis of approving the project or alternatives has been completed. A complete and comprehensive environmental analysis has been conducted. Completion of the environmental assessment, along with the implementation of required stipulations and/or mitigating measures, will result in (projected) impacts to resource values being restored to pre-project conditions and/or acceptable post-project standards. Further analysis in an environmental impact statement is not needed.

Decision of Record

Decision: Based on the analysis, it is my decision to approve Alternative B. A coordination meeting will be scheduled in the near future with a Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company LP, representative to communicate this decision to the company.

Rational: The decision to authorize Alternative B, as described in the attached Environmental Assessment (EA), is based on the following:

- Alternative B will not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation.
- Mitigation measures applied by the BLM as Conditions of Approval will alleviate or minimize environmental impacts.
- The proposed action is tiered to the PRMP/FEIS and in conformance with the Farmington Resource Management Plan (RMP) as approved by the Record of Decision signed September 29, 2003. The RMP is the guiding land use plan for the Public Lands Administered by the Farmington Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).
- Alternative B conforms to the management prescriptions developed for the Devils Spring Mesa Cultural ACEC in the Farmington RMP.
- The Farmington Field Office Archeology staff has concurred with BLM's determination that the proposed action is not likely to adversely affect the Devils Spring Mesa ACEC.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND APPEAL: Under BLM regulations, this decision record is subject to administrative review in accordance with 43 CFR 3165. Any request for administrative review of this decision record must include information required under 43 CFR 3165.3(b) (State Director Review), including all supporting documentation. Such a request must be filed in writing with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, 1474 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, NM 87505, no later than 20 business days after this Decision Record is received or considered to have been received.

Any party who is adversely affected by the State Director's decision may appeal that decision to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, as provided in 43 CFR 3165.4.

Specialist Review

The following resource components, as well as the standard program requirements have been considered in the environmental assessment. Resource staff and/or specialists have signed and dated each section as review and/or preparation of these sections has been completed for this environmental assessment.

Impacted Yes	Impacted No	Mitigated Yes	Mitigated No		Specialist Initial	Date
O	✓	O	✓	T&E Plants/Animals	JK	5/4/11
O	✓	O	O	Floodplains and Wetlands	DW for	5-10-11
O	✓	O	✓	Recreation/Wilderness	JM	5-12-11
O	✓	O	O	ACEC's / SDA's	JMC	5-11-11
O	✓	O	O	Hazardous/Solid Wastes	DW for	5-10-11
✓	O	✓	O	Soil/Air/Water	DW for	5-10-11
O	✓	O	O	Cultural or Historic Resources	JMC	5-11-11
O	✓	O	✓	Paleontology Resources	[illegible]	5-12-11
O	✓	O	O	Prime or Unique Farmlands	DW for	5-10-11
✓	O	✓	O	Wildlife	JM	4-28-11

Stipulations

Stipulations and/or mitigating measures were considered and analyzed in the environmental assessment. Based on impact analysis, specific stipulations and/or mitigating measures have been selected and are attached to Decision Record. The applicant is responsible for implementing these stipulations to reduce or prevent impacts projected to occur during and after project completion.

Prepared by: JM Henul — Environmental Protection Specialist — 5/11/11 Date

Reviewed by: Bree Griess — Chief, Branch of EPS & Realty — 5/19/11 Date

Approved by: [signature] — Farmington Field Manager — 5/23/11 Date