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WYW153062

To: Deputy State Director, Division of Minerals and Lands WY920

From: Field Manager, WYP070

11/8/12

**Subject: Modification of current Lease Stipulations WYW 153062**

In a letter dated April 15, 2010, Yates Petroleum Corporation (Yates) asked the Wyoming State Office (WSO) Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to consider granting a modification to the current No Surface Occupancy (NSO) stipulation applied to Federal lease WYW153062.

**Current Lease WYW153062**

T0440N R076W 06<sup>th</sup> Meridian WY CAMPBELL

Sec. 014 SW;

Sec. 015 ALL;

Sec. 022 NE;

**Current Lease Stipulation WYW153062**

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For the purpose of:

(2) protecting Bald Eagle winter roost site.

In a letter transmitted to BFO on October 31, 2012, WSO requested that the Buffalo Field Office (BFO) consider a modification of the current NSO stipulation applied to Lease WYW153062 that would delete the current No Surface Occupancy (NSO) stipulation and replace it as follows:

NSO (1) No surface occupancy or use is allowed in Sec. 015 ALL, within ½ mile of communal winter roosts for Bald eagles; (2) as mapped on the Buffalo Field Office GIS database; (3) protecting Bald Eagle winter roost sites.

TLS (1) No surface disturbance is allowed in Sec. 015 ALL, within a 1 mile biological buffer zone of communal winter roosts for Bald eagles; (2) November 1 through March 30; (3) as mapped on the Buffalo Field Office GIS database; (4) protecting Bald Eagle winter roost sites.

BFO analyzed the proposal by completion of Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA) and found that the proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action. Therefore, a modification to the current No Surface Occupancy (NSO) stipulation applied to Lease WYW153062 is recommended.

Please call Chris Durham at (307) 684-1049 if you have any questions.

*Attachments (4):*

1. Recommended NSO stipulation and Timing Limitation Stipulation Lease 153062
2. Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA)
3. Letter from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), dated 10/4/2012.

4. 3. Supporting documentation from Final EIS p. 29 & 30, Draft EIS Vol. 1 Table 4-4, Final EIS p. 50, EIS vol. 1 p. 48.

*Attachment 1)*

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