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Rick VanderVoet, Field Manager
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Bureau of Land Management
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Lander, WY 82520

Dear Mr. VanderVoet,

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD), has requested the Wyoming Office of State Lands and Investments (OSLI) defer the issuance of several phosphate leases within the Lander Front until the WGFD can determine if a conservation easement or a BLM/OSLI land trade is possible. The WGFD Lander Regional Office has surveyed the interest for conservation easements with several land trusts, but it does not appear that there is any real interest at this time. As a result, WGFD would like to pursue BLM's interest in developing a realty agreement between the OSLI and Bureau of Land Management to conduct a land trade in which the BLM-Lander Field Office would acquire parcels of State Lands along the Lander Foothills in the vicinity of the Red Canyon and Lander Slope ACECs, in exchange for BLM lands elsewhere in Wyoming that would have few, if any wildlife, cultural, or other restrictions that would limit OSLI from generating revenues for their benefactors.

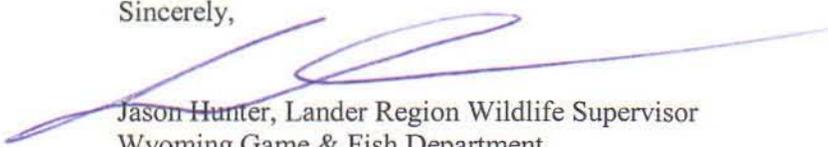
The attached spreadsheet identifies all State Land parcels near the Lander Slope and Red Canyon ACECs that are at potential risk of development for phosphate, energy development, or other land uses inconsistent with the goals of the Lander Field Office and WGFD for these ACECs that protect multiple, significant wildlife, scenic, and open space resources.

Of particular interest are parcels that have already been nominated for leasing for the purpose of phosphate mining. These parcels are highlighted in the table, and OSLI lease numbers are also provided. The surface area values of several of these nominated parcels have been estimated by OSLI, and are available upon request. Valuation of the exchanged parcels will need to be determined in the overall trade process. As these parcels have already been nominated for phosphate leasing, the WGFD and OSLI need to know if the BLM feels there is a realistic opportunity to complete a land trade for the parcels identified. A response is needed by the end of March 2012. If the BLM feels there is a realistic chance to accomplish a land trade, an estimated timeline and cost would need to be known as well.

Mr. Stan Harter is available to coordinate any pre-meetings or discussions with OSLI or other entities to help make your decision.

If there is a desire to pursue this land trade, we would present this to the OSLI for Board consideration with the request to defer the leases indefinitely until the trade is completed.

Sincerely,


Jason Hunter, Lander Region Wildlife Supervisor
Wyoming Game & Fish Department

General Location	Twn	Range	Section		Acres	Elk	Mule Deer	Moose	Sage Grouse Core Area	Proposed Phosphate Lease #	Special Considerations
Twin Creek	T30N	R98W	16	ALL	640	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WYL	CRUWIN	YES	0-42858	Possible lek in Section
South of Red Canyon	T30N	R99W	11	SW 1/4	160	CRUWYL	WYL	CRUWYL, OUT	Yes, partial	0-42814	Within 1/4 mile of Red Canyon ACEC
South of Red Canyon	T30N	R99W	24	NE	160	CRUWYL	WYL, SSF	CRUWIN, OUT	Yes	0-42822	
Lander Slope ACEC	T31N	R99W	6	SE 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4	240	CRUWYL	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T31N	R99W	7	ALL except E 1/2 SE 1/4	560	CRUWYL	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WIN	No		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T31N	R99W	8	W 1/2 NE 1/4	80	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WIN	No		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T31N	R99W	8	SW 1/4 NW 1/4	40	CRUWYL	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WIN	No		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T31N	R99W	8	N 1/2 SW 1/4	80	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WIN	Yes, partial		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Red Canyon ACEC	T31N	R99W	8	S 1/2 SE 1/4	80	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WIN	Yes		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Red Canyon ACEC	T31N	R99W	9	E 1/2 SW 1/4	80	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WIN	Yes	0-42815	Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Red Canyon ACEC	T31N	R99W	9	NW 1/4 SW 1/4	40	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WIN	Yes		Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Red Canyon ACEC	T31N	R99W	13	SW 1/4 NW 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	Yes		
Red Canyon ACEC	T31N	R99W	16	ALL	640	CRUWIN, WIN	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WIN	Yes	0-42816	Adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Red Canyon ACEC	T31N	R99W	36	ALL	640	CRUWIN, WIN	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	WIN, OUT	Yes	0-42817	That portion of Section 36 west of WY Hwy 28 is managed as part of Red Canyon WHMA. Also adjacent to Red Canyon Ranch owned by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R99W	6	NW 1/4 NW 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R99W	6	NW 1/4 NE 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R99W	6	S 1/2 SW 1/4	80	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	2	NW 1/4	160	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	2	N 1/2 SW 1/4	80	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	2	N 1/2 NE 1/4	80	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	2	SW 1/4 NE 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	3	N 1/2 NE 1/4	80	OUT	CRUWYL	WIN, OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	3	SE 1/4 NE 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	3	NE 1/4 NW 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	3	NE 1/4 SE 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	8	SE 1/4 NE 1/4	40	CRUWIN, WIN	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Sinks Canyon State Park owned by WGFD
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	8	N 1/2 SE 1/4	80	CRUWIN, WIN	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, WIN	No		Adjacent to Sinks Canyon State Park owned by WGFD
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	9	W 1/2 NW 1/4	80	CRUWIN, WIN	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Sinks Canyon State Park owned by WGFD
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	10	N 1/2	320	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	16	ALL	640	CRUWYL, WIN	CRUWYL	CRUWYL, CRUWIN, OUT	No	0-42818	Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	23	N 1/2	320	CRUWYL, SWR	CRUWYL, WYL	WIN	No	0-42819	Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range

General Location	TwN	Range	Section		Acres	Elk	Mule Deer	Moose	Sage Grouse Core Area	Proposed Phosphate Lease #	Special Considerations
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	24	E 1/2	320	SWR	CRUWYL	WIN, OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	25	S 1/2 SW 1/4	80	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No	0-42820	Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by RMEF
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	25	NW 1/4 SW 1/4	40	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No	0-42820	Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by RMEF
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	26	E 1/2 E 1/2	160	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No	0-42820	Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by RMEF
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	35	NE 1/4 NE 1/4	40	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No	0-42820	Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by RMEF
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	34	SE 1/4	160	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	34	E 1/2 SW 1/4	80	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	34	S 1/2 NE 1/4	80	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	35	SW 1/4	160	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	35	S 1/2 NW 1/4	80	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	35	NW 1/4 SE 1/4	40	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	35	SW 1/4 NE 1/4	40	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T32N	R100W	36	ALL	640	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	No	0-42821	Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by RMEF
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R99W	30	S 1/2 NE 1/4	80	OUT	YRL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R99W	31	W 1/2 W 1/2	160	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R99W	31	NE 1/4 NW 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R99W	31	NW 1/4 NE 1/4	40	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R99W	32	W 1/2 NW 1/4	80	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R99W	32	SW 1/4	160	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	7	S 1/2 N 1/2	320	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Red Butte, North Fork conservation easements
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	7	NE 1/4 SW 1/4	40	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Red Butte, North Fork conservation easements
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	7	N 1/2 SE 1/4	80	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Red Butte, North Fork conservation easements
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	7	SE 1/4 SE 1/4	40	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Red Butte, North Fork conservation easements
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	8	SW 1/4 NW 1/4	40	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Red Butte, North Fork conservation easements
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	8	SW 1/4	160	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Red Butte, North Fork conservation easements
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	16	ALL	640	SWR, OUT	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Baldwin Creek - major recreation area
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	17	SE 1/4	160	OUT	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Baldwin Creek - major recreation area
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	17	NE 1/4 NW 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Baldwin Creek - major recreation area
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	19	N 1/2	320	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	25	S 1/2 SE 1/4	80	OUT	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	25	NE 1/4 SE 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	26	NW 1/4	160	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	26	N 1/2 SW 1/4	80	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	26	NE 1/4 SE 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	WIN, OUT	No		
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	29	W 1/2	320	CRUWIN	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Adjacent to Proposed TNC Conservation Easement
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	35	SW 1/4 SE 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Part of WGFD Middle Popo Agie Fishing access
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	35	SE 1/4 SW 1/4	40	OUT	CRUWYL	WIN	No		Part of WGFD Middle Popo Agie Fishing access
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R100W	36	ALL	640	OUT	CRUWYL	WIN, OUT	No		Table Mountain, major mule deer winter range. Adjacent to Conservation Easement held by TNC

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Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	11	SE 1/4	160	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WYL	CRUWYL, WIN	YES		Adjacent to Mexican Creek CE
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	13	W 1/2	320	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WYL	WIN	YES		
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	14	S 1/2 and NE 1/4	480	CRUWYL, CRUWIN	WYL	WIN	Yes, partial		
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	15	SE 1/4	160	CRUWYL	WYL	CRUWYL, WIN	NO		Adjacent to Mexican Creek CE
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	16	ALL	640	CRUWYL	WYL	CRUWYL	NO		Adjacent to Mexican Creek CE
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	22	ALL	640	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	NO		Adjacent to Mexican Creek CE
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	23	W 1/2	320	CRUWYL	WYL	WIN	NO		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	24	SE 1/4	160	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WYL	WIN	YES		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	24	E 1/2 NE 1/4	80	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WYL	WIN	YES		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	24	SW 1/4 NE 1/4	40	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WYL	WIN	YES		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	24	SE 1/4 SW 1/4	40	CRUWIN	CRUWYL, WYL	WIN	YES		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	25	NE 1/4 NW 1/4	40	CRUWIN	WYL	WIN	YES		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T33N	R101W	36	ALL	640	CRUWIN, WYL	WYL	WIN	Yes, partial		Adjacent to Proposed Conservation Easement with Jackson Hole Land Trust
Lander Slope ACEC	T34N	R100W	31	S 1/2	320	SWR	CRUWYL	OUT	YES		North Fork, Red Butte Conservation Easements
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