

The following BMP's will be implemented for the Breeze Unit 23-15 Location:

As you know, this site is in an area mapped for restricted surface occupancy for Columbian Sharp-tail Grouse species, therefore the CDOW requests that the following measures be implemented to assure protection of this wildlife resource (this will also address the Greater Sage Grouse production areas):

- Where oil and gas activities must occur within 1.25 miles of Columbian sharp-tailed grouse leks or within other mapped Columbian sharp-tailed grouse breeding or summer habitat, conduct these activities outside the period between March 15 and July 30 (i.e. the construction, work-over phase).
- Restrict well site visitations to portions of the day between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. during the lekking season (March 1 to June 1).
- Design tanks and other facilities with structures such that they do not provide perches or nest substrates for raptors, crows and ravens.
- Install raptor perch deterrents on equipment, fences, cross arms and pole tops in Columbian sharp-tailed grouse habitat.
- Reclaim/restore Columbian sharp-tailed grouse habitats with native grasses and forbs conducive to optimal Columbian sharp-tailed grouse habitat and other wildlife appropriate to the ecological site.
- Use high diversity (10 species or more) reclamation seed mixes in Columbian sharp-tailed grouse habitat.
- Use approved CP-4D (Columbian sharp-tailed grouse) seed mixes, based on soil type, available from Farm Service Agency or Natural Resources Conservation Service, or other seed mixes approved by CDOW.
- Avoid aggressive non-native grasses in Columbian Sharp-tailed Grouse habitat reclamation.

In response to the other wildlife species, elk winter concentration areas, these measures shall be implemented:

- Where oil and gas activities must occur in mule deer critical winter range or elk winter concentration areas, conduct these activities outside the time period from December 1 through April 15.
- Restrict post-development well site visitations to between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and reduce well site visitations between December 1 and April 15 in mule deer and elk winter range.
- Gate single-purpose roads and restrict general public access to reduce traffic disruptions to wildlife.
- Close and immediately reclaim all roads that are redundant, not used regularly, or have been abandoned to the maximum extent possible to minimize disturbance and habitat fragmentation.