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Peter Plage
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**RE: Bald Eagle Winter Night Roost Concurrence Request for Noble Energy, Inc.,
Five Rivers Drill Sites, Sections 4, 5, 8, & 9, Township 4 North,
Range 66 West**

Dear Mr. Plage:

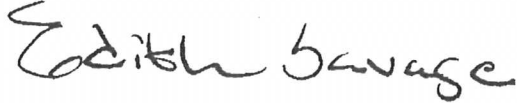
Noble Energy, Inc. proposes to drill numerous wells southeast of Milliken, Colorado. The drill sites are designated as the Five Rivers sites. The proposed drill sites are situated north and south of the South Platte River within Sections 4, 5, 8, & 9, Township 4 North, Range 66 West of the 6th Prime Meridian, Weld County, Colorado (Figure 1.).

According to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission GIS Online Wildlife Map the Five Rivers drill sites are located within or adjacent to a bald eagle winter roost buffer zone.

Based on the Recommended Buffer Zones and Seasonal Restrictions for Colorado Raptors (Colorado Division of Wildlife, updated January 2008) seasonal restrictions to human encroachment for an active bald eagle winter night roost are recommended between November 15 and March 15.

Since the Five Rivers drill sites are located within or adjacent to the bald eagle roost buffer zone, Noble Energy requests concurrence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for a drilling window from March 15 to November 15. If you have any questions or require further information about these sites please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edith Savage". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Edith Savage
Principal

c: ~~Brian~~ DeRose, Noble Energy, Inc.

attachment: Noble Energy Inc., Five Rivers Drill Sites Within Sections 4, 5, 8, & 9
General Location Map

Noble Energy Inc. Five Rivers Drill Sites Within Sections 4, 5, 8, and 9

