

## Public Comment Received

Operator: Antero Resources

Location Name: McLin A (A-1 – A-19),  
SESW Section 12, T6S, R 92W. Doc # 400076537

Received From: Bob Regulski

Received Date: 9/2/2010

### Comments Received:

9/2/2010 – Carol Harmon & Greg Deranleau received call from Mr. Regulski's attorney, Mr. Rob Couhig. According to Mr. Couhig, his client is a landowner in Newcastle, CO with 80 acres along the river. Client had negotiated a SUA with Antero for a pipeline to cross his property. Client was unhappy with that work and had filed suit against Antero. Client received 500' notification regarding the referenced proposed pad, an adjacent location. Client had reviewed documents, and had an engineering review conducted and had reason to believe that construction of the referenced pad could have negative environmental impacts. Client intended to file a public comment and was instructed on eForm procedure.

9/2/2010 – Bill Yokley received a call from Mr. Regulski. Mr. Regulski is upset about the pad constructed by Antero in the SWSW Sec 7 6S 91W that is located in a quarry (outlined in blue) the Frei Location ID 417777, but more concerned about the proposed McLin Location ID 416722, located in the NENE Sec 13 6S 92W (outlined in yellow) and is within 500 feet of his property. Bill informed Mr. Regulski that he had 15 days to submit comment/objections to the McLin location. Apparently, Mr. Regulski has legal actions against Antero on pipeline easement issues.

9/9/2010 – Mr. Regulski visited the Rifle COGCC office, bringing documents. He owns land at the frontage road and Divide Creek Road and Antero has an easement for a pipeline across his property, along the road. His concern related to the Form 2A is that the pipeline leads to a wellpad (McLin A) which is adjacent and uphill from his property. He was notified by Antero, via letter, that per Rule 305, he may submit comments concerning the permit application. He is not certain how to do this. It appears that there is an unmapped ditch (Ward-Reynolds Ditch) that Rob is majority owner of that goes along hillside between the proposed pad and his property. He believes it is in jeopardy, and would certainly be impacted by anything flowing downhill. The entire area is in 315B buffer zones, it appears to be partially in intermediate buffer, definitely outer buffer zone. Rob provided a copy of the 2A, which has 'current land use' marked as Rangeland; Rob states there are historic water rights to the property and it should be marked as irrigated for both current and future use. The 2A also reports that is not in a sensitive area, yet nearest surface water is within 170 feet; and it's in a 317B zone(s). You guys may already be working on this one. It looks to me like his 20-day period to comment started on August 30, 2010. He also has concerns about pipeline backfill and the potential for damage to the pipeline which could cause a release.

9/14/2010 – Greg Deranleau received a call from Bob Regulski. Mr. Regulski described the pipeline and easement concerns, and extended the discussion to concerns about pipeline construction and integrity. Mr. Regulski stated that the pipeline of concern does serve the McLin A Pad. Mr. Regulski expressed concern regarding the siting of the oil and gas location at the edge of the cliff, with respect to long-term structural stability at the edge of the silt cliffs, potential impacts to the water supply of the developed homesites below the cliff, and visual impacts to the homesites. Mr. Regulski clarified that the cliff-top ditch is an irrigation ditch owned by McLin, and that the second ditch, lower on the slope, is the Ward-Reynolds Ditch, which operates on an easement within 100 feet of the proposed location. Mr. Regulski expressed concern that the Ward-Reynolds Ditch Company did not receive notification, and expressed concern that when the hay pasture is flood irrigated, the pipeline trench will act as a conduit for flow, causing significant erosion. Mr. Regulski is concerned that the location has not been properly engineered to prevent environmental damage.

#### Comment Summary:

The following comments summary is COGCC's interpretation of the information received by various people. No written public comment was received.

- Concern about negative environmental impacts as a result of pad construction and oil and gas activities at the proposed McLin A pad.
- Concern about negative impacts to surface owner's property as a result of pad construction and oil and gas activities at the proposed McLin A pad.
- Failure of Antero to document all visible surface water features on the submitted Form 2A Hydrology Map. Specifically, Mr. Regulski identified the presence of two irrigation ditches, one as identified by Antero running along the cliff-top and one (not identified) as partially down the slope below the cliff.
- Possible incorrect Land Use designation by Antero on the Form 2A. Specifically, Mr. Regulski indicated that the location is not rangeland, as identified, but is irrigated hay meadow.
- Failure of Antero to identify presence of noxious weeds on the Form 2A, specifically Knapweed.
- Failure of Antero to identify the location as a sensitive area with respect to water resources on the Form 2A.
- Concern about environmental and property impacts due to pipeline failure caused by damage during installation.
- Concern about siting of oil and gas location at edge of cliff prone to erosion and long-term damage caused by lack of proper engineering.