

PLANNING BMP's

- * Share/consolidate corridors for pipeline ROWs to the maximum extent possible.
- * Maximize the utility of surface facilities by developing multiple wells from a single pad (directional drilling), and by co-locating multipurpose facilities (for example, well pads and compressors) to avoid unnecessary habitat fragmentation and disturbance of additional geographic areas.
- * Minimize newly planned activities and operations within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of any reservoir, lake, wetland, or natural perennial or seasonally flowing stream or river.
- * Locate roads outside of drainages where possible and outside of riparian habitat.
- * Avoid constructing any road segment in the channel of an intermittent or perennial stream
- * Minimize the number, length, and footprint of oil and gas development roads
- * Use existing roads where possible
- * Combine utility infrastructure (gas, electric, and water) planning with roadway planning to avoid separate utility corridors
- * Combine and share roads to minimize habitat fragmentation
- * Where possible, consolidate pipeline and existing roadways, or roadways that are planned for development
- * Place roads to avoid obstructions to migratory routes for wildlife, and to avoid displacement of wildlife from public to private lands.
- * Design roads with visual and auditory buffers or screens (e.g., topographic barriers, vegetation, and distance).
- * Maximize the use of directional drilling to minimize habitat loss/fragmentation
- * Maximize use of remote telemetry for well monitoring to minimize traffic
- * Restrict oil and gas activities as practical during critical seasonal periods

DRILLING/COMPLETIONS BMP's

- * Conduct well completions with drilling operations to limit the number of rig moves and traffic.

PRODUCTION/RECLAMATION BMP's

- * Remove well pad and road surface materials that are incompatible with post-production land use and re-vegetation requirements
- * Use only certified weed-free native seed in seed mixes, except for non-native plants that benefit wildlife
- * WPX Energy will use certified, weed free grass hay, straw, hay or other mulch materials used for the reseeding and reclamation of disturbed areas.
- * Install exclusionary devices to prevent bird and other wildlife access to equipment stacks, vents and openings.
- * Reduce visits to well-sites through remote monitoring (i.e. SCADA) and the use of multi-function contractors.
- * Avoid dust suppression activities within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of any reservoir, lake, wetland, or natural perennial or seasonally flowing stream or river where possible.