

May 17, 2013

Sterling Moss  
Natural Resource Conservation Service  
District Conservationist  
31 Suttle Street  
Durango, CO 81301

**Re: Swift Energy Operating, LLC, Proposed Waters 32-12-32-1H Exploratory Gas Well Pad Project**

The intent of this letter is to notify the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) of Swift Energy Operating, LLC (Swift) plan to develop the Waters 34-12-32-1H Exploratory Well Pad Project. The proposed project would be located on fee lands with fee mineral rights in Section 32, Township 34 North, Range 12 West, New Mexico Prime Meridian (NMPM), La Plata County, Colorado. The location of the proposed action is shown on the attached map. The proposed irregular shaped well pad would be 445 feet by 410 feet with a construction zone varying from 0 to 18 feet around the perimeter of the pad that would disturb 4.44 acres. The maximum cut would be 9 feet and the maximum amount of fill would be 10 feet. A new access road of 70.5 feet in length constructed within a 30-foot wide right-of-way (ROW) is proposed to access the location. An existing, private two-track access road is approximately 3 miles in length and would be upgraded within a 30-foot ROW to access the location. Total new disturbance would be 4.49 acres.

The well pad would be located on an abandoned agricultural field, previously used for crops. An existing road parallels the western portion of the proposed project area that continues north and an existing flowline traverses the southeastern portion.

Following construction activities, Swift will refer to the NRCS Memo: *Recommendations Following Energy Production Construction Activities*. Other conservation practices include seed bed preparation, mulching, pest management of weeds and stormwater best management practices.

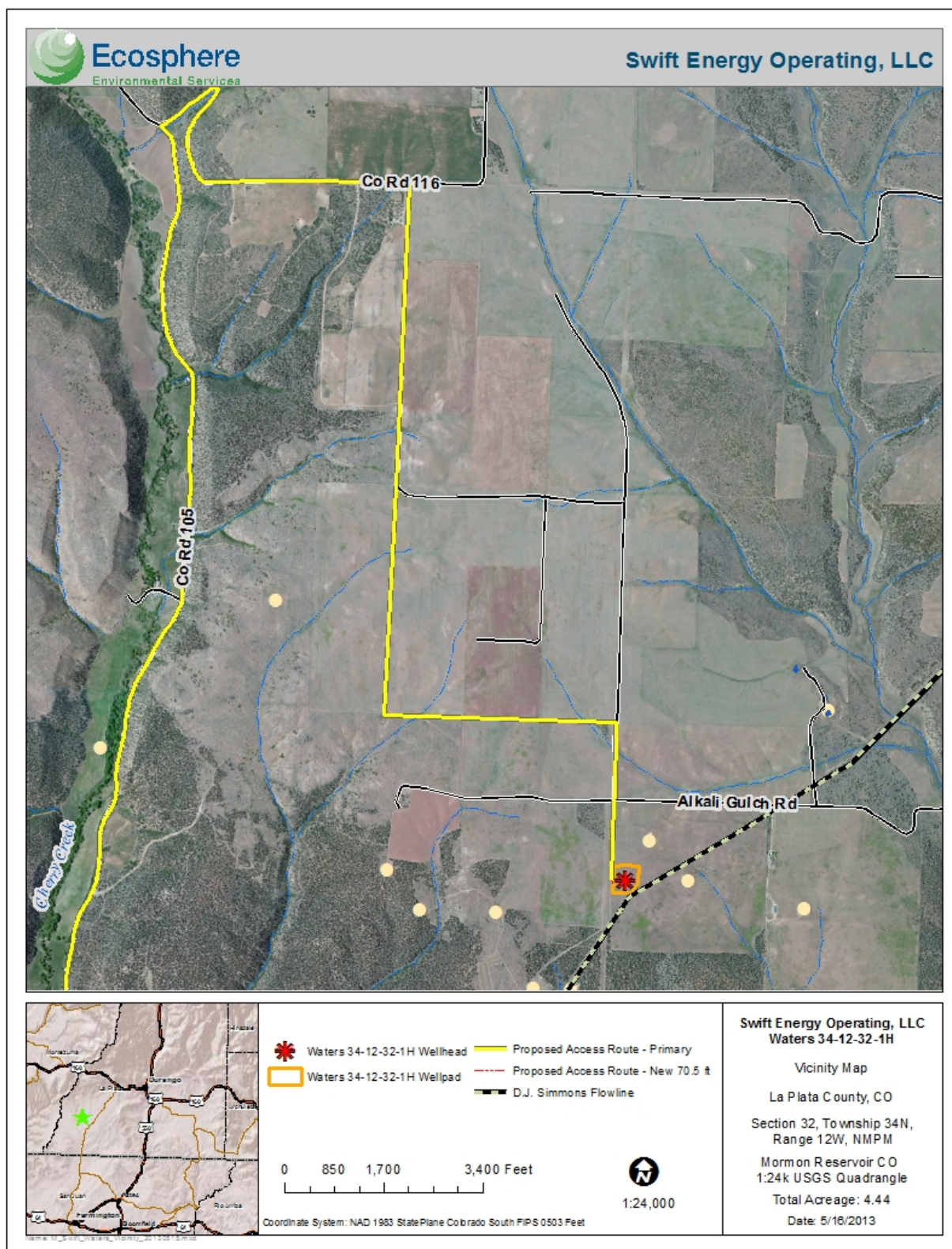
If any project-specific recommendations are identified, please send them to my attention at the Durango Ecosphere office, the address is listed below.

Please feel free to call me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Amanda Stenjem  
Biologist

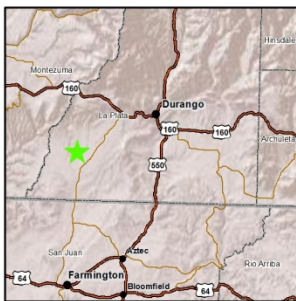
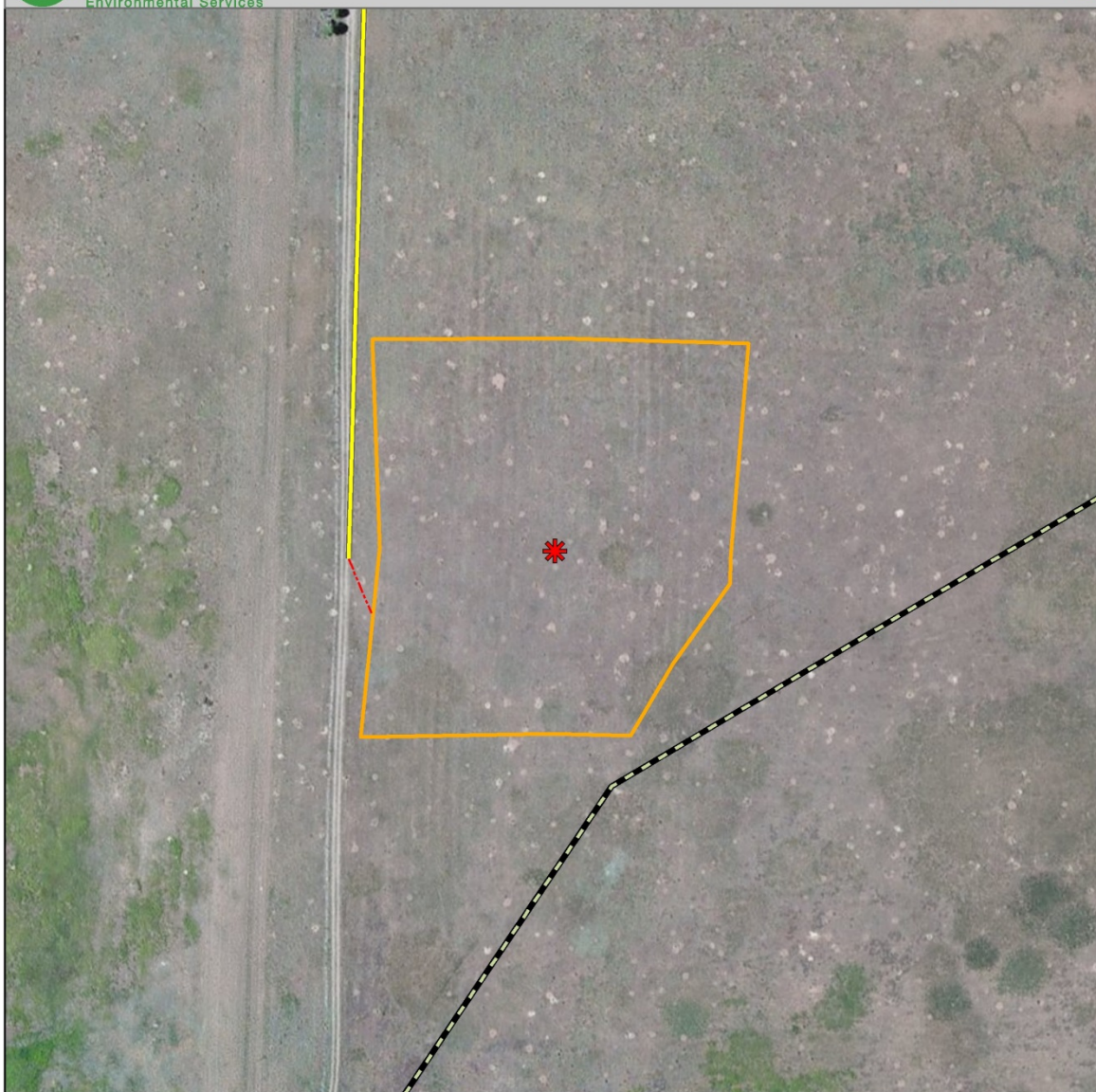
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Swift Energy Operating,



- Waters 34-12-32-1H Wellhead
- Waters 34-12-32-1H Wellpad
- Proposed Access Route - Primary
- Proposed Access Route - New 70.5 ft
- D.J. Simmons Flowline

0 75 150 300 Feet

Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane Colorado South FIPS 0503 Feet



**Swift Energy Operating, LLC**  
**Waters 34-12-32-1H**

Site Detail Map

La Plata County, CO

Section 32, Township 34N,  
Range 12W, NMPM

Mormon Reservoir CO  
1:24k USGS Quadrangle

Total Acreage: 4.44

Date: 5/15/2013