



Fwd: When is a drilling "deviation" from the original wellbore path NOT a sidetrack?

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Wed, May 27, 2015 at 3:18 PM

To: Kinzie Beavers <Kinzie.Beavers@wpxenergy.com>

Presumably you received not only this email, but at least one other from the Permitting folks. Sarah reminded me to remind the operator to "document what happened" -- and Mr. Andrews was concerned about having casing (annular) cement coverage have the objective of getting above the "problem" zone.

I think attachment(s) the Form 5 might be all that is required at this point. You know: what depths the cement/LCM/whatever mix (and quantities) -- any and all data you can find in a report.

and NO new Form 2 (nor old form 5), etc. !

jay K

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From: **Westerdale - DNR, Barbara** <barbara.westerdale@state.co.us>

Date: Wed, May 27, 2015 at 10:04 AM

Subject: Re: When is a drilling "deviation" from the original wellbore path NOT a sidetrack?

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Jay,

It is permitting's position that this does not qualify as an unplanned sidetrack. Something on the order of 5' deviation from the planned wellbore path is fine.

On Wed, May 27, 2015 at 9:48 AM, Jay Krabacher <jay.krabacher@state.co.us> wrote:

Greetings:

You received an email from me (yesterday, I think) in which I posed my question to Mr. Andrews. He suggested I ask for Permitting's take on this. Ms. Beavers (WPX) and I discussed and worked on an issue this past weekend in which a WPX rig re-drilled a segment of the borehole. They were, at most, within 5 feet of the originally-permitted path.

I told Kinzie that I would solicit the opinion and guidance from others within COGCC as to whether-or-not to consider this a "sidetrack."

If you have a bit of time, re-review my email of yesterday (in which I forwarded WPX data) and let me know what you think.

Thanks in advance,

Jay Krabacher

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