



April 20, 2017

Mr. David Slawkowski
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Subject: The Searchers 2-5 Well Pad Wetland Determination

Dear David,

OtterTail completed a wetland determination on April 7, 2017 for the proposed Searchers 2-25 Well Pad project located in NE 1/4 of Section 25, Township 5 South, Range 54 West, 6th Principal Meridian (Lat N 39.58645°; Long -103.37127°; NAD 83), in Washington County, Colorado (Figure 1). The project site is located approximately 1/2 mile south of the intersection of Washington County Road 2 and Washington County Road U, approximately 10 1/2 miles south of US 36. The site is located to 413' east of a newly constructed Searchers Tank Battery Facility, and north of an unimproved access road.

As you know, there was a slight digressional area at the site that was identified on the National Wetland Inventory (NWI) maps as a wetland. This NWI inventory is completed by the government and is a desktop review of potential wetlands and is very often not accurate once field verifications are made, and the intentions of the NWI are to simply provide identification of potential areas to be field evaluated. Our site visit documented that this site is not a wetland. The wetlands determination included a surface inspection of a 300' buffer surrounding the well stake and proposed pad area (Figure 1, Photo 1). Evaluation procedures were conducted in accordance with the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual and the Great Plains Region Supplement. During field inspection, no indicators of hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soil, or wetland hydrology were encountered.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (720) 468-2103, or email at hgerstung@ottertail.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Heidi Gerstung', written over a horizontal line.

Heidi Gerstung
Project Scientist

Enclosures: Location Map and Site Photo

The Searchers 2-25 Well Pad

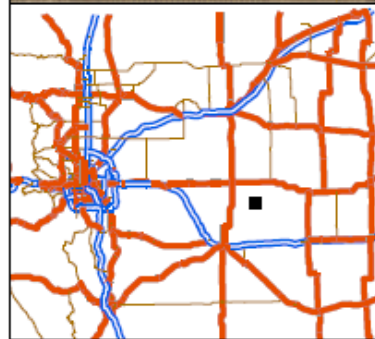
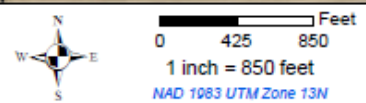


Figure 1: Location Map
Township 5S, Range 54W, Section 25NE
Aerial Imagery: Microsoft World Imagery 2011-04-22



- Proposed Well Location
- Major Roads
- PLSS_Sections_CO
- PLSS_Quarters_CO



Photo 1: Looking west into well location