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**To:** [Adam Tankersley](#)  
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Adam,

Thank you for reaching out in advance to provide CPW a chance to review the proposed actions at the RWF 12-12 location. CPW agrees with your assessment of the wildlife habitats present. The location and access road do fall within mule deer critical winter range sensitive wildlife habitat (SWH). Additionally, you are correct that the typical avoidance period for construction, drilling, and completions within this habitat runs from December 1st to April 30th (BLM lease stipulation from Colorado River Valley Field Office).

CPW is aware that construction, drilling, and completions cannot always be conducted outside of this time frame. Furthermore, as you're aware, CPW staff has been working with TEP and the BLM over the last several years to develop compensatory mitigation projects to benefit big-game and offset potential impacts from oil and gas operations during the winter season. CPW is comfortable with this mitigation system and with the habitat enhancement projects that have been planned and conducted so far.

Due to the fact that these wells will be drilled from an existing pad with existing access road and pipelines, and the compensatory mitigation work that will be done, CPW does not object to the timing of these proposed operations. Additionally, TEP's standard best management practices to address wildlife conflicts, reclamation, erosion and storm water control, noxious weeds, remote monitoring of facilities, etc. are adequate to minimize any other wildlife impacts from the proposed activity.

If you have any other questions about this location, or we can share additional information, feel free to get in touch.

Thanks,

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On Tue, Jun 25, 2019 at 4:18 PM Adam Tankersley <[ATankersley@terraep.com](mailto:ATankersley@terraep.com)> wrote:

Good Afternoon Taylor,

We are in the process of preparing the COGCC permits for the RWF 12-12 Pad and would like to discuss any concerns CPW's may have related to development of this location. TEP organized an onsite on November 27<sup>th</sup> 2018 to review the RWF 12-12 pad, with a follow up onsite that was held on December 12<sup>th</sup> 2018. Unfortunately I don't believe anyone from CPW was available to attend. TEP is revisiting the existing RWF 12-12 Pad to develop an additional eighteen (18) wells from this location. Currently that pad is on the schedule for development between February 2020 and August 2020. TEP is planning to begin construction this location later this year. As you are already aware, we are working on

winter mitigation for drilling and completion operations occurring within the Big Game Winter Range Timing Limitation which begins December 1<sup>st</sup> and ends April 30<sup>th</sup>. Compensatory mitigation will be required for a minimum of three month for this location. There is also potential that construction activities would continue into December. This is dependent on when we receive approved permit for this location and how quickly we can construct the well location. We will plan to have sufficient mitigation credits to cover construction timing. The RWF 12-12 pad and a portion of the access road is location within Mule Deer Critical Winter Range per the COGCC data. I've attached the Plan of Development Map and construction plats for your reference.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any question or concerns.

Thanks,

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