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Re: Active Bald Eagle nest near planned P&A activities for the Curd 12-05 API #05-123-20906 and Smith 21-05 API #05-123-20864

Mr. Calvert and Ms. Moore,

The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) has received and reviewed information provided to Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) by your consultant Apex Companies, LLC (Apex) via email on Tuesday, February 23, 2021. The email summarized the results of a nest survey conducted voluntarily on your behalf prior to mobilization to commence and complete plugging operations detailed in the approved Form 6--Notice of Intents for the referenced wells.

Thank you for identifying and reporting the presence of an active incubating Bald Eagle nest within 0.25 miles of the Curd 12-5 well API #05-123-20906 and 0.5 miles of the Smith 21-5 well API #05-123-20864. Consistent with the directive of SB 19-181 and the rules adopted to implement the Oil and Gas Conservation Act, as amended, the Director has determined that Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Chevron) will postpone plugging and abandonment (P&A) operations and all other disruptive activities at the Curd 12-5 and Smith 21-5. Consistent with CPW's "Recommended Buffer Zones and Seasonal Restrictions for Colorado Raptors (2020)," Chevron will not initiate the P&A activities until after July 31st or after the last eaglet has left the nest.

We understand that the delay in operations at the referenced well may delay the ability of the offset operator (Confluence Energy, LLC) to complete one or more of their horizontal wells from the Silverton 4 North pad. The COGCC has been in contact with Confluence to advise them of the situation.

We appreciate your cooperation in the protection of this valuable wildlife resource.

Sincerely,

Greg Deranleau
Environmental Manager

