

Pre-Application Consultation Summary – 301.f.(3)

Federal RG 22-24-299 Oil and Gas Location

New Location

March 2023



INTRODUCTION

During the initial planning phase of the Federal RG 22-24-299 Oil and Gas Location, a pre-application consultation process occurred between representatives of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (“COGCC”), the Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”), Colorado Parks and Wildlife (“CPW”), Rio Blanco County (“RBC”) and TEP Rocky Mountain LLC (“TEP”) as described in COGCC Rule 301.f.(3). The purpose of the pre-application consultation was to review and discuss the proposed Federal RG 22-24-299 Oil and Gas Development Plan, which includes the construction of the Federal RG 22-24-299 pad, construction of a new access road to the Federal RG 22-24-299 pad, installation of a new produced water pipeline, and development of two (2) proposed injection wells. Pre-application consultation also included review of siting consideration, potential impact to resources within the project area, conditions of approval, Best Management Practices (“BMPs”), and the general permitting process and timing of proposed development. Pre-application consultation provides the opportunity for collaboration between the operator and regulatory agencies.

PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION ONSITE MAY 24, 2022

On May 24, 2022 representative from TEP, COGCC, BLM, RBC, and CPW met at the proposed Federal RG 22-24-299 pad to review the proposed development plan and discuss the permitting requirements associated with this recycling facility. TEP had the proposed Oil and Gas Location, access road, and pipeline corridor staked prior to the site visit so that the attendees would be able to accurately assess landscape level impacts during the onsite. TEP provided a summary of the development plan to the attendees and reviewed the preliminary project development timeline.

BLM representative didn’t have any significant concerns with the proposed development plan as presented during the site visit. BLM stated that biological surveys and cultural surveys would be required for the project. TEP stated that the biological survey was scheduled for early June 2022 and the cultural survey would be completed later in the year.

TEP and CPW discussed the Oil and Gas Location as it related to High Priority Habitat. TEP informed CPW that the Oil and Gas Location was not within High Priority Habitat; however, TEP would schedule a follow-up pre-application consultation meeting with CPW to review the Wildlife Protection Plan prior to submittal of the Form 2A. CPW did not express any concerns about the Oil and Gas Location during the site visit.

RBC was also in attendance at the onsite and confirmed that a Special Use / Building Permit (“SUBP”) would be required prior to development of the Oil and Gas Location. RBC also confirmed that the proposed produced water pipeline could be included in the SUBP since the total length is less than 2,000 feet. RBC also stated that a driveway permit would be required for construction of the access road from Rio Blanco County Road 68.

PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE

On February 6, 2023, representative from TEP and CPW met to review the proposed development plan for the Federal RG 22-24-299 pad and the proposed Wildlife Protection Plan. Since the Oil and Gas Location is located outside of the High Priority Habitat, impacts to wildlife would be minimal. Please see the CPW Consultation Section of the Wildlife Protection Plan for additional information regarding CPW pre-application consultation.