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Form 6 (Doc#403997690) CHATHAM OIL CO M V SMITH 29 (OWP) Bald Eagle HPH

4 messages

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Wed, Dec 18, 2024 at 3:44 PM

Good afternoon Taylor,

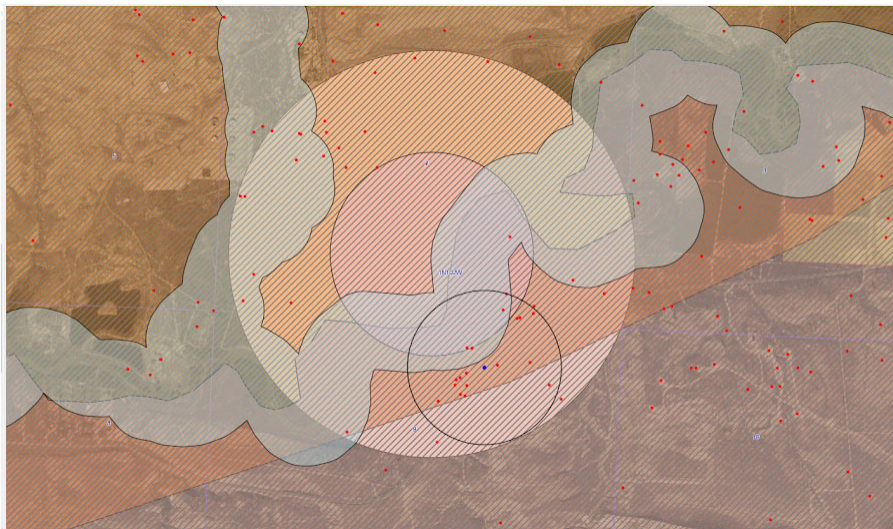
I am reviewing a Form 6 (Doc #403997690) that is part of the Orphan Well Program, which is attached. The snip below with a 1,000' buffer shows the location being within the Mule Deer Severe Winter Range and the Pronghorn Winter Concentration 1202.d. habitats, and within the Bald Eagle Active Nest Site Half Mile 309.e.(1) habitats. Copied on this email is Richard Murray, staff who submitted the Form on behalf of the OWP. I plan to apply the following COAs:

- Well is in CPW mapped Mule Deer Severe Winter Range and Pronghorn Winter Concentration Area High Priority Habitats. Although plugging and abandonment operations with heavy equipment will be allowed, the Operator is strongly encouraged to avoid them between December 1 through April 30.
- This oil and gas location is within 0.5-mile of a CPW-mapped bald eagle nest site buffer Rule 309.e.(1) consultation habitat. CPW may choose to consult on this planned P&A to develop site specific measures to avoid, minimize, and mitigate impacts to wildlife prior to conducting the work. Please note that non-emergency plugging and abandonment (PA) activities should not take place from December 15 to March 15.

The plugging activity is planned to take place at this location within the next 2-3 weeks. Richard Murray with OWP could provide more specific dates if necessary.

Please advise if this is satisfactory or if you require revisions and/or additional COAs to be placed on the Form 6.

Additionally, please advise if CPW requires a consultation. I will wait to hear from you prior to passing my task in Webforms.



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Thu, Dec 19, 2024 at 8:17 AM

Good morning Renee and Richard,

Thank you for reaching out regarding this P&A of the orphaned well. I don't have any concerns with this work beginning in the next few weeks. I'm familiar with this eagle nest and the nesting pair appears to have a relatively high tolerance for human activity around the nest. It's also on the other side of the road and river, and will be really early in the nesting season. Let me know if you need anything else from us, but no need for additional COAs or a formal consultation.

Thanks!

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Thank you Taylor! I will pass my task.

Renee

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Thank you

G. Richard Murray

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