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PLANNING TOOLS

Designed to achieve win-win solutions for both energy production and environmental/wildlife protection

Wildlife Mitigation Plan (WMP)

Comprehensive Drilling Plan (CDP)

Geographic Area Plan (GAP)



COMPREHENSIVE DRILLING PLAN

A Programmatic Development Plan

- Intended to encourage landscape level planning, cumulative effects and promote efficiency
- Tool to consider proposed operations and identify conditions to minimize adverse impacts.
- Voluntary
- Must be approved by Commission but not a rulemaking



CDP BENEFITS

- Results in expedited processing and permitting
- More predictability because defining mitigation requirements at the outset
- Increases efficiency by bundling applications and consolidating regulatory reviews
- Better address cumulative effects



GEOGRAPHIC AREA PLANS

Cover entire field or geographic basin

- Include all operators
- Covers ten or more years of development and might cover:
 - ✓ *Unitization*
 - ✓ *Water well sampling*
 - ✓ *Waste management*
 - ✓ *Facility consolidation*
- Requires rulemaking
 - ✓ *Notice and public hearing*



WILDLIFE MITIGATION AGREEMENTS

Provides Wildlife Protection:
Avoidance, Minimization, Mitigation

- In consultation with CDOW
 - ✓ *CDOW must approve*
 - ✓ *Streamlined consultation per 306c*
- Covers specific area, such as a proposed oil and gas location



WMPS

Examples

- ✓ *Encana's North Parachute Ranch*
- ✓ *Antero's Gravel Trend*
- ✓ *Williams' South of the River*
- ✓ *BP's San Juan Basin*

- ✓ *Others with Marathon, Noble, Black Hills, ExxonMobile, PDC Energy, Laramie Energy II*



QUESTIONS?

