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Subject: Application for Permit to Drill Ute Tribal 9-15-4-3
RDCC Project No. 20923

Dear Ms. Mason:

The State of Utah, through the Public Lands Policy Coordination Office (PLPCO), has reviewed this project. Utah Code (Section 63J-4-601, *et. seq.*) designates PLPCO as the entity responsible to coordinate the review of technical and policy actions that may affect the physical resources of the state, and to facilitate the exchange of information on those actions among federal, state, and local government agencies. As part of this process, PLPCO makes use of the Resource Development Coordinating Committee (RDCC). The RDCC includes representatives from the state agencies that are generally involved or impacted by public lands management.

Division of Air Quality

The proposed well drilling project may require a permit, known as an Approval Order, from the Executive Secretary of the Air Quality Board. If any compressor or pump stations are constructed at the site, a permit application, known as a Notice of Intent (NOI), should be submitted to the Executive Secretary at the Utah Division of Air Quality at 150 N. 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84116 for review according to R307-401: Permit: Notice of Intent and Approval Order, of the Utah Air Quality Rules. A copy of the rules can be found at www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307.htm. The Utah Division of Air Quality (DAQ) encourages the use of Best Management Processes in protecting air quality in Utah. We recommend emission standards for stationary reciprocating internal combustion engines. These standards are 2 g/bhp-hr for engines less than 300 HP and 1 g/bhp-hr for engines over 300 HP. DAQ encourages the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining to impose these emission standards as lease conditions for all new and relocated engines, and as conditions of approval for all new applications for permits to drill.

The proposed project is subject to R307-205-5: Fugitive Dust, of the Utah Air Quality Rules, due to the fugitive dust that will be generated during the excavation of the roadway for the project and possibly the pad (based on pad size). These rules apply to construction activities that disturb an area greater than 1/4 acre in size. A permit, known as an Approval Order, is not required from the Executive Secretary of the Air Quality Board, but steps need to be taken to minimize fugitive dust, such as watering and/or chemical stabilization, providing vegetative or synthetic cover or windbreaks. A copy of the rules can be found at www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307.htm

The State of Utah appreciates the opportunity to review this proposal and we look forward to working with you on future projects. Please direct any other written questions regarding this correspondence to the Public Lands Policy Coordination Office at the address below, or call Judy Edwards at (801) 537-9023.

Sincerely,

John Harja
Director