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Dear Interested Party:

EFT Nevada LLC proposes to drill a single oil exploration well on federal lands in Elko County, Nev., approximately 29 miles south of Elko. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Elko District manages all activities in the project area (Cedar Ridge) pursuant to the Elko Resource Management Plan (1987). There are no wild horse herd management areas within the proposed project area. The project is located 1.2 miles south of the Cedar Ridge Wilderness Study Area.

The proposed project would evaluate the potential of a commercially viable energy resource in the Cedar Ridge area. Proposed project activities include the installation of a 240 foot by 360 foot well pad, development of 2.5 miles of new access road, and the upgrade of 2.4 miles of existing access road. The maximum total amount of anticipated ground disturbance as a result of the proposed activities is 28.6 acres. Once these activities are complete, a drill rig would be mobilized to and assembled on the well pad and exploratory operations would commence. Exploration activities are proposed to be conducted during spring to fall (March - October) of 2015. Collectively, the proposed activities are referred to as the *Cedar Ridge 1 Exploration Project*. A detailed project description and map set can be accessed at <http://www.blm.gov/rv5c> under "NEPA - Current and Archived Projects".

The BLM is seeking comments on the proposed project and is also soliciting input on potential issues, impacts, and alternatives that should be addressed in an Environmental Assessment (EA). Comments and input should be submitted to the BLM as described below by September 5, 2014. An open house public meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2014 from 4:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. at the Elko BLM Office, 3900 E. Idaho Street, Elko Nevada.

Written comments on the Cedar Ridge 1 Exploration Project should be mailed to: BLM Elko District, Attn: Tom Schmidt, 3900 E. Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801, or via email to CedarRidge1oilwell@blm.gov. Upon completion, the EA for this project will be posted to the BLM website noted above for review for 30 days before a decision will be completed.

Before including your address, phone number or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The proposed operations will comply with all applicable Federal Onshore Oil & Gas regulations and do not include any Wild Horse Herd Management Area or herd areas.

If you have questions please email them to: CedarRidge1oilwell@blm.gov. If you need more information please contact Tom Schmidt at (775) 753-0200.

Sincerely,

/s/ 8/7/2014

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