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White River Field Office
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Meeker, CO 81641

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Pipeline Renewal DOI-BLM-CO-N05-2016-0053-CX

Identifying Information

Project Title: Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Pipeline Renewal

Legal Description: Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado

T. 2S., R. 97W.,
sec. 30, Lots 3, 4, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
T. 2S., R. 98W.,
sec. 25, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
sec. 36, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;
T. 3S., R. 98W.,
sec. 2, Lots 1, 2, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
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T. 4S., R. 98W.,
sec. 4, Lot 2, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Applicant: Rocky Mountain Natural Gas, LLC

Casefile: COC37755

Conformance with the Land Use Plan

The Proposed Action is subject to and is in conformance (43 CFR 1610.5) with the following land use plan:

Land Use Plan: White River Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan (ROD/RMP), as amended by the White River Field Office Oil and Gas Development Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment (ROD/RMPA)

Date Approved: July 1997, amended August 2015

Decision Language: “Make federal oil and gas resources available for leasing and development in a manner that provides reasonable protection for other resource values.” (ROD/RMPA, page 2-34)

“Manage BLM public lands, including the siting of public and private facilities through the issuance of applicable land use authorizations, in a manner that balances the needs of oil and gas development with the management for other resources values.

Respond to internal and external requests for land use authorizations (e.g., pipelines, access routes, utility lines, communication sites, leases, and permits).

Emphasize efficient use of and colocation with existing ROWs to protect resources and resource uses. Consider the establishment of new ROW corridors to meet demand for oil and gas activities.” (ROD/RMPA, page 2-39)

Proposed Action

Project Components and General Schedule

Rocky Mountain Natural Gas, LLC submitted an application for the renewal of right-of-way (ROW) grant COC37755 for a natural gas pipeline (Fawn Creek Gathering System). This grant was issued to Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company on October 11, 1983 and authorized a buried natural gas pipeline and associated facilities to connect Rio Blanco Natural Gas Company wells #MHF-3, #398-10-1, #398-17-4, #398-33-4 and #498-4-1. The pipeline consists of 2 inch, 4 inch, and 6 inch high density polyethylene pipe. The pipeline crosses both BLM and private lands. The ROW is 46,000 feet in length, more or less, and 50 feet in width, containing 52.8 acres on BLM lands. COC37755 expired on 10/10/2013, and this proposal is to renew the grant for 30 years.

BLM Required Terms and Conditions to Mitigate Impacts to Cultural and Paleontological Resources

1. The applicant is responsible for informing all persons who are associated with the project that they will be subject to prosecution for knowingly disturbing archaeological sites or for collecting artifacts.
2. If any archaeological materials are discovered as a result of operations under this authorization, activity in the vicinity of the discovery will cease, and the BLM WRFO Archaeologist will be notified immediately. Work may not resume at that location until approved by the Authorized Officer (AO). The applicant will make every effort to protect the site from further impacts including looting, erosion, or other human or natural damage until BLM determines a treatment approach, and the treatment is completed. Unless previously determined in treatment plans or agreements, BLM will evaluate the cultural resources and, in consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), select the appropriate mitigation option within 48 hours of the discovery. The applicant, under guidance of the BLM, will implement the mitigation in a timely manner. The process will be fully documented in reports, site forms, maps, drawings, and photographs. The BLM will forward documentation to the SHPO for review and concurrence.

3. Pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4(g), the applicant must notify the AO, by telephone and written confirmation, immediately upon the discovery of human remains, funerary items, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony. Further, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.4(c) and (d), the operator must stop activities in the vicinity of the discovery and protect it for 30 days or until notified to proceed by the AO.
4. The applicant is responsible for informing all persons who are associated with the project operations that they will be subject to prosecution for disturbing or collecting vertebrate or other scientifically-important fossils, collecting large amounts of petrified wood (over 25lbs./day, up to 250lbs./year), or collecting fossils for commercial purposes on public lands.
5. If any paleontological resources are discovered as a result of operations under this authorization, the applicant or any of his agents must stop work immediately at that site, immediately contact the BLM Paleontology Coordinator, and make every effort to protect the site from further impacts, including looting, erosion, or other human or natural damage. Work may not resume at that location until approved by the AO. The BLM or designated paleontologist will evaluate the discovery and take action to protect or remove the resource within 10 working days. Within 10 days, the operator will be allowed to continue construction through the site, or will be given the choice of either (a) following the Paleontology Coordinator's instructions for stabilizing the fossil resource in place and avoiding further disturbance to the fossil resource, or (b) following the Paleontology Coordinator's instructions for mitigating impacts to the fossil resource prior to continuing construction through the project area.

Categorical Exclusion Review

The Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 11.9, E9: *“Renewals and assignments of leases, permits, or rights-of-way where no additional rights are conveyed beyond those granted by the original authorizations.”*

The Proposed Action has been reviewed with the list of extraordinary circumstances (43 CFR 46.215) described in the table below.

Extraordinary Circumstance	YES	NO
a) Have significant adverse effects on public health and safety.		X
b) Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands; floodplains; national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas.		X
c) Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources.		X
d) Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.		X
e) Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.		X

Extraordinary Circumstance	YES	NO
f) Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.		X
g) Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places as determined by the bureau.		X
h) Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species.		X
i) Violate a Federal law, or a State, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.		X
j) Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations.		X
k) Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites.		X
l) Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species.		X

Interdisciplinary Review

The Proposed Action was presented to, and reviewed by, the White River Field Office interdisciplinary team on 12/8/2015. A complete list of resource specialists who participated in this review is available upon request from the White River Field Office. The table below lists resource specialists who provided additional review or remarks concerning cultural resources and special status species.

Name	Title	Resource	Date
Michael Selle	Archaeologist	Cultural Resources, Native American Religious Concerns	12/16/2015
Ed Hollowed	Wildlife Biologist	Special Status Wildlife Species	1/12/2016
Heather Woodruff	Ecologist	Special Status Plant Species/ Vegetation Invasive Species	12/15/2015
Keesha Cary	Realty Specialist	Project Lead	2/4/2016
Heather Sauls	Planning and Environmental Coordinator	NEPA Compliance	2/8/2016

Cultural Resources: The pipeline components were initially inventoried at the Class III (100 percent pedestrian) level prior to the original construction (Firebaugh 1979 compliance 10/13/1979, Black 1981 compliance date 10/13/1981, Ingmanson 1981 compliance date 10/5/1981, Wheeler 1983 compliance date 9/28/1983). Only one site, 5RB.2169, was recorded during any of the initial inventory work. The site was described as a limited lithic scatter with limited potential and likely not eligible (Black 1981). Subsequent inventories identified an isolated find, 5RB.6207 (Schwendler *et al.* 2008) close to the plotted location of 2169 which may or may not have been associated with the site before construction of the dirt road up the ridge in historic times. Isolated Finds are not considered eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and will not be considered any further in this analysis. Inventory also identified a historic brush fence (Elkins 2012) that was not recognized as such or as a historical feature when the pipeline was originally built and the pipeline likely impacted the fence. Currently brush fences are generally considered NRHP eligible. Renewal of the ROW is not

anticipated to result in any new impacts to any of the known cultural resources located within or near to the pipeline. However, certain maintenance activities have the potential to impact cultural resources and will require additional analysis.

Native American Religious Concerns: No Native American religious concerns are known in the area, and none have been noted by Tribal authorities. Should recommended inventories or future consultations with Tribal authorities reveal the existence of such sensitive properties, appropriate mitigation and/or protection measures may be undertaken.

Paleontological Resources: The ROW is located in an area generally mapped as the Uinta formation (Tweto 1979) which the BLM has categorized as a Potential Fossil Yield Classification (PFYC) 5 formation indicating that it is known to produce scientifically noteworthy fossil resources (c. Armstrong and Wolny 1989). Paleontological resources were not generally managed at the time the pipeline ROW was issued. Renewing the ROW, in and of itself, is not expected to result in any new impacts to fossil resources. However maintenance activities that involve excavations to expose the pipeline and permit safe worker access could potentially result in impacts to fossil resources. Therefore, maintenance activities will need to be carefully evaluated at the time they are required.

Threatened and Endangered Wildlife Species: There are no wildlife-related issues or concerns regarding the right-of-way renewal. Any subsequent maintenance actions involving excavation or pipeline repair/replacement may be subject to timing limitations associated with nesting raptors (February 1 to August 15), migratory bird nesting (May 15 to July 15) and/or big game winter range (December 1 to April 31). Exceptions to, and modifications of these timing limitations may be applied, if appropriate.

Threatened and Endangered Plant Species: The ROW is an already existing pipeline. Since no disturbance is occurring at this time there are no special status plant species concerns associated with the Proposed Action. However, if maintenance is required in the future, special status plant surveys will be required prior to any surface disturbance.

Vegetation and Invasive Species: No new disturbance is proposed for the pipeline renewal. However, invasive and non-native plant species still have the potential to establish along the ROW corridor. Monitoring and weed treatment needs to be conducted along the pipeline annually to ensure weed infestations do not become extensive.

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- 2012 Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of Proposed Seismic Linear Reroutes and Associated Facilities for ExxonMobil Corporation's 2009 Piceance 3D Seismic Survey Project, Rio Blanco County, Colorado. Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc., Eagle, Colorado. Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc., Eagle, Colorado. (12-54-01: OAH # RB.LM.R1278)

Firebaugh, Gail S.

- 1979 Cultural Resource Inventory Report Well Sites #33-3-98, #17-3-98, and #8-3-98 for Cities Service Gas Exploration Company. Grand River Institute, Grand Junction, Colorado. (79-11-05: OAH # RB.LM.NR1390)

Ingmanson, John Earl

- 1981 Report of Examination for Cultural Resources: Rio Blanco Natural Gas Company's 398-10-1 Well Location. Laboratory of Public Archaeology, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado. (81-3-09: OAH # RB.LM.NR2441)

Schwendler, Rebecca, Sarah Baer, Karen Reed, Scott Phillips, Scott Slessman, Matthew Bandy, Nicole Kromarek, Scott Bowen, Max Walk, Caryn Berg, Paul Burnett, Tom Witt, Sean Doyle, Michelle Delmas, Michael Cregger, John Cregger, John Kennedy, Judy Cooper, Zonna Barnes, Amanda Cohen, Cynthia Manseau, Michael Retter, Dan Shosky, and Erin Salisbury.

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- 1979 Geologic Map of Colorado. United States Geologic Survey, Department of the Interior, Reston, Virginia.

Wheeler, Lester A.

- 1983 Cultural Resources Inventory Report on a Proposed 8900'-Long, 4" Natural Gas Pipeline in Rio Blanco County, Colorado for Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company, Inc. Grand River Institute, Grand Junction, Colorado. (83-11-13: OAH # RB,KN,NR2440)

Mitigation

1. All applicable terms, conditions, and stipulations contained in the original ROW grant and any amendments shall be carried forward and remain in full force and effect. No new construction is authorized.
2. At least 90 days prior to termination of the right-of-way, the holder shall contact the Authorized Officer to arrange a joint inspection of the right-of-way. The inspection will result in the development of an acceptable termination and rehabilitation plan submitted by the holder. This plan shall include, but is not limited to, removal of facilities, drainage structures, and surface material; recontouring; topsoiling; or seeding. The

Authorized Officer must approve the plan in writing prior to the holder's commencement of any termination activities.

3. The holder shall conduct all activities associated with the operation and termination of the right-of-way within the authorized limits of the right-of-way.
4. Any proposal involving additional surface disturbance outside of the existing right-of-way disturbance requires an application to the BLM for analysis and authorization. New stipulations for construction would be applied to projects subject to the regulations and policies existing at the time of authorization.
5. The holder shall monitor all disturbed and reclaimed areas through final abandonment for the presence of invasive, non-native, and/or noxious plant species. The holder will be responsible for eradication of noxious weeds that occur on site using materials and methods approved in advance by the Authorized Officer.
6. The holder shall notify the authorized officer at least 60 days prior to non-emergency activities that would cause surface disturbance in the right-of-way. A "Notice to Proceed" shall be required prior to any non-emergency activities that would cause surface disturbance on the right-of-way. Any request for a "Notice to Proceed" must be made to the authorized officer, who will review the Proposed Action for consistency with resource management concerns such as wildlife, big game winter range, paleontology, special status species, and cultural resource protection. The authorized officer may require the completion of special status species surveys or other resource surveys. Additional measures may be required to protect special status species or other resources.
7. Pesticide Use Proposals (PUPs) will be submitted to and approved by the BLM before applying herbicides on BLM lands. The PUP will include target weed species, the herbicides to be used, application rates and timeframes, estimated acres to be treated, as well as maps depicting the areas to be treated and known locations of weeds.
8. Application of herbicides must be under field supervision of an EPA-certified pesticide applicator. Herbicides must be registered by the EPA and application proposals must be approved by the BLM.
9. Use of off-highway vehicles (OHVs) for access to weed treatment areas along the pipeline/power line ROW will be considered on a case-by-case basis, provided that access is limited and will not create visible tracks, and will require prior written approval from the AO.
10. The authorized ROW holder will be required to inventory the entire project area for noxious weeds and invasive species in both the spring and fall through final abandonment. Results of surveys would be provided to the BLM as described in the WRFO Surface Reclamation Plan (Appendix 3 of the WRFO RMPA ROD).

Compliance with NEPA

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 11.9, E9. This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The Proposed Action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 43 CFR 46.215 apply.

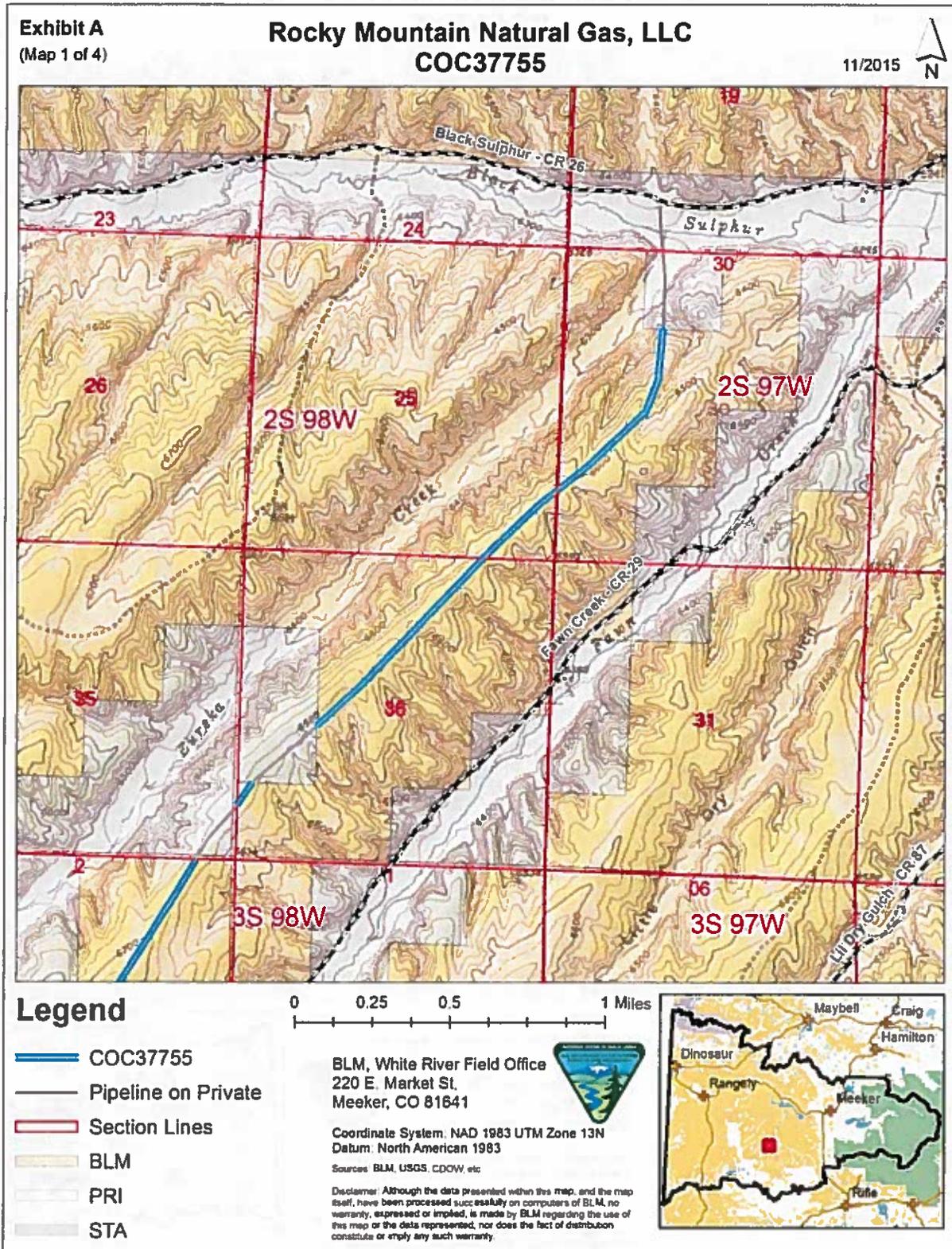


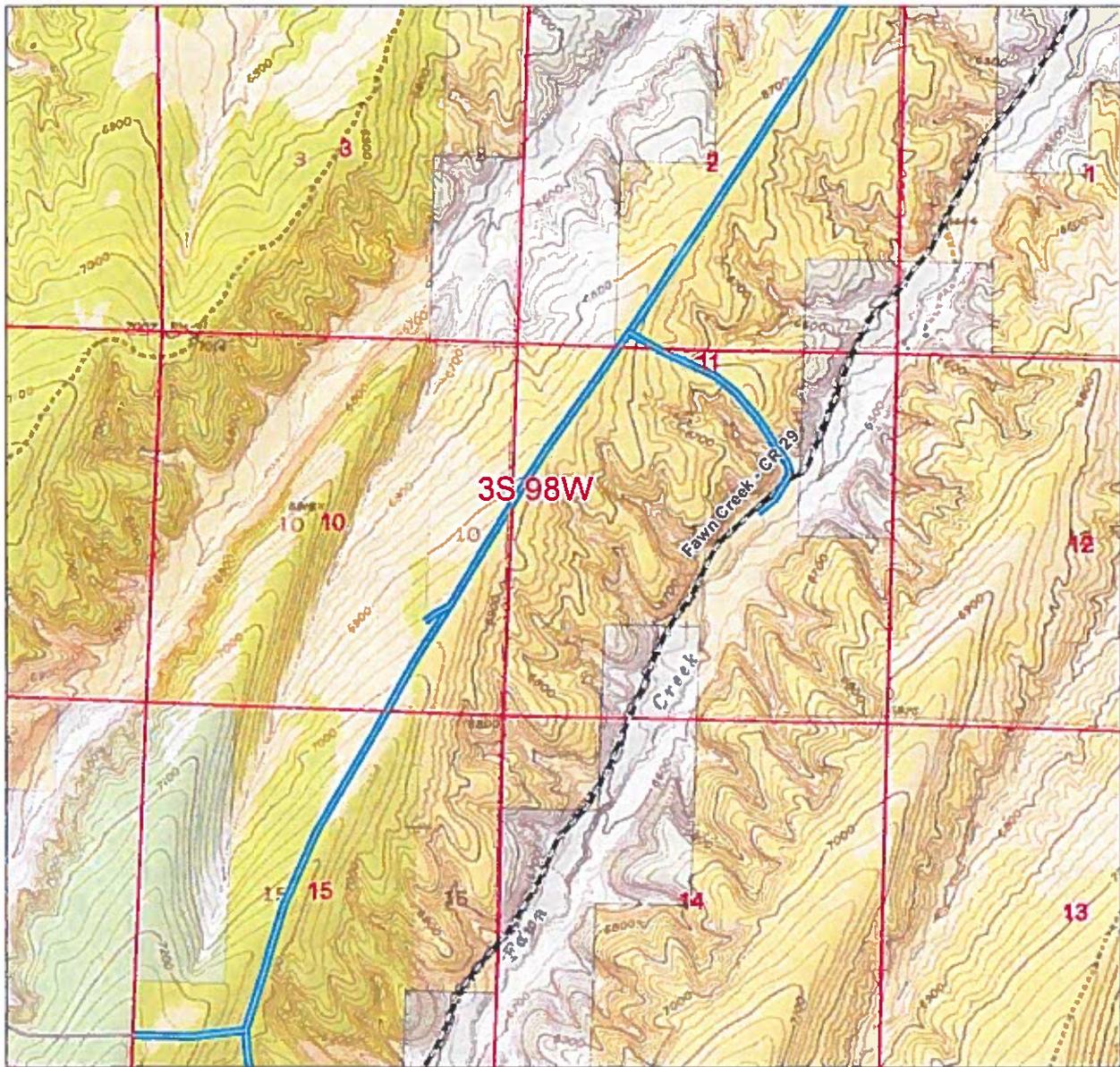
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2-9-2016

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Appendix A. Figures





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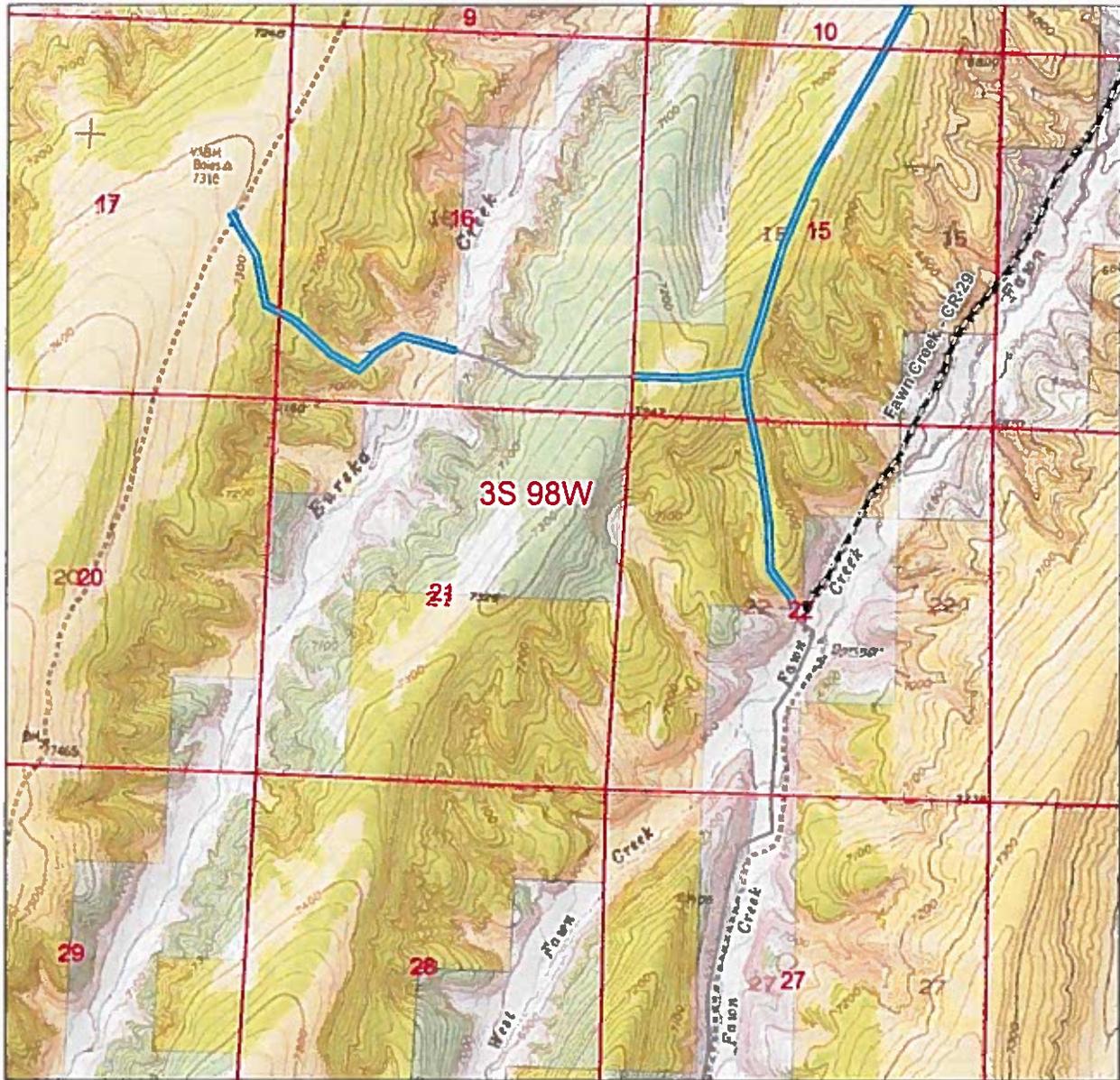
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Exhibit A
(Map 3 of 4)

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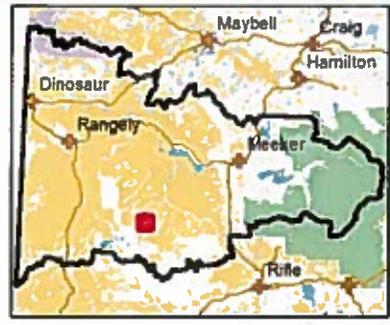


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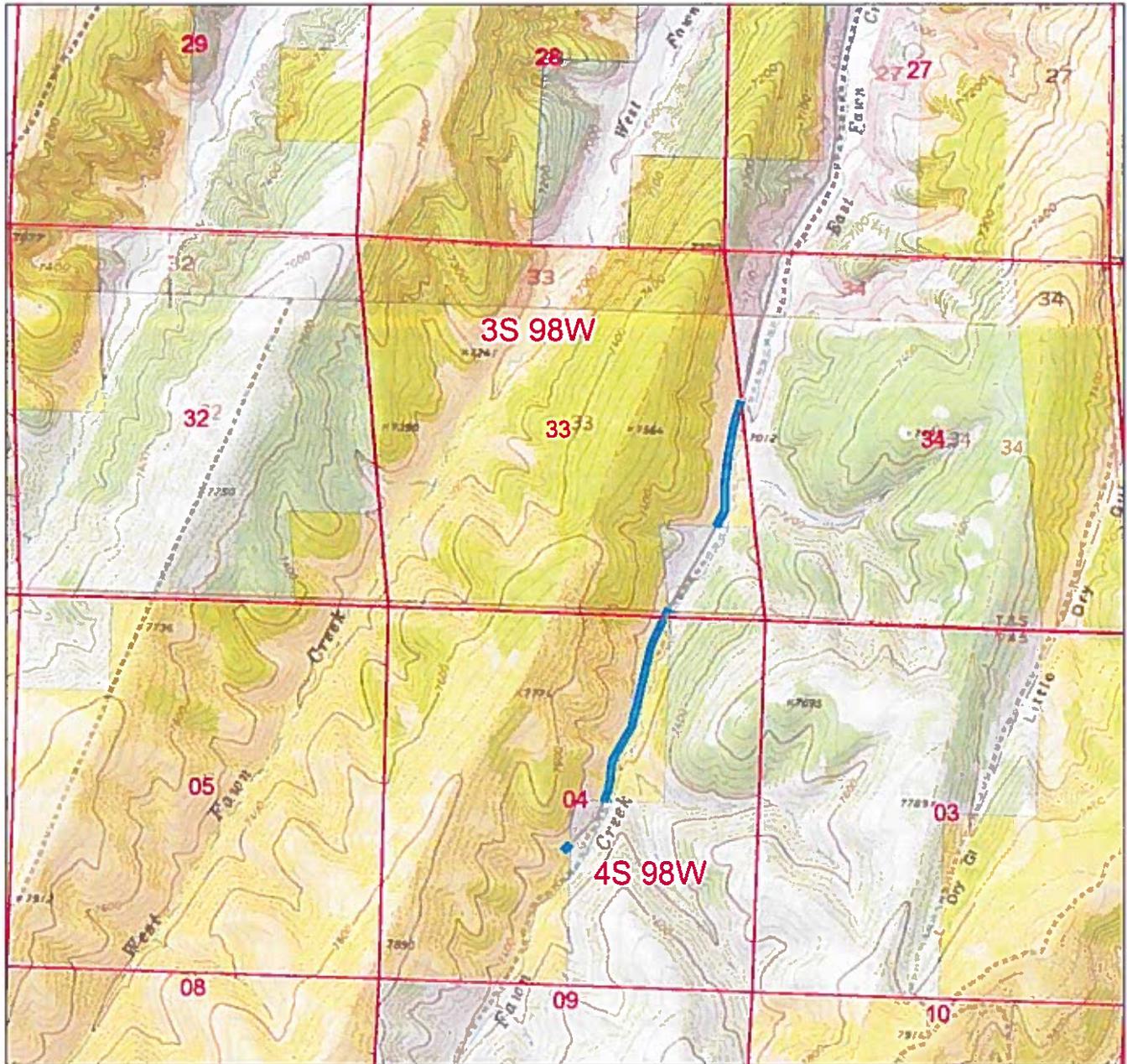
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DECISION RECORD

Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Pipeline Renewal **DOI-BLM-CO-N05-2016-0053-CX**

Decision

It is my decision to implement the Proposed Action as described in DOI-BLM-CO-N05-2016-0053-CX, renewing right-of-way grant COC37755 for a natural gas pipeline for a 30-year term.

Terms and Conditions

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Compliance with Laws & Conformance with the Land Use Plan

This decision is in compliance with the Endangered Species Act and the National Historic Preservation Act. It is also in conformance with the 1997 White River Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan, as amended by the White River Field Office Oil and Gas Development Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment.

Public Involvement

This project was posted on the WRFO's on-line National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) register on 1/19/2016. No comments or inquiries have been received.

Rationale

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 11.9, E9. This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The Proposed Action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 43 CFR 46.215 apply.

Monitoring and Compliance

On-going compliance inspections and monitoring will be conducted by the BLM White River Field Office staff during and after construction. Specific mitigation developed in this document

will be followed. The holder will be notified of compliance related issues, and depending on the nature of the issue(s), will be provided 30 days to resolve such issues.

Administrative Remedies

This decision shall take effect immediately upon the date it is signed by the Authorized Officer and shall remain in effect while any appeal is pending unless the Interior Board of Land Appeals issues a stay (43 CFR 2801.10(b)). Any appeal of this decision must follow the procedures set forth in 43 CFR Part 4. Within 30 days of the decision, a Notice of Appeal must be filed in the office of the Authorized Officer at White River Field Office, 220 East Market St., Meeker, CO 81641 with copies sent to the Regional Solicitor, Rocky Mountain Region, 755 Parfet St., Suite 151, Lakewood, CO 80215, and to the Department of the Interior, Board of Land Appeals, 801 North Quincy St., MS300-QC, Arlington, VA, 22203. If a statement of reasons for the appeal is not included with the notice, it must be filed with the Interior Board of Land Appeals at the above address within 30 days after the Notice of Appeal is filed with the Authorized Officer.

Signature of Authorized Official



Field Manager **ACTING**

2-9-2016
Date