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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governor Brian Schweitzer  
Todd M. Everts, Environmental Quality Council

FROM: <sup>TMS</sup> Tom Schultz, Administrator, Trust Land Management Division

RE: Environmental Assessments

Attached is a list of environmental assessments completed by the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Trust Land Management Division and Forestry Division, during the period January 1, 2006, through March 31, 2006. This report was prepared to comply with ARM 36.2.526(5).

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c: Bob Harrington

Attachment

**Trust Land Management Division**

**Agriculture & Grazing Management Bureau**

**Cromwell reclassification of 11.6 acres.**

Reclassify 11.6 acres from unsuitable to small grain agriculture land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/14/2006

County: Daniels

**Drummond Reclassification of 38.67 acres**

Reclassify 38.6 acres from tame pasture to hay land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/14/2006

County: Daniels

**Forest Management Bureau**

**Freezeout Salvage Timber Sale**

Salvage harvest approximately 3000 tons of fire killed, beetle infested and green timber from approximately 70 acres.

Proposed Implementation Date: 1/1/2006

County: Mineral

**Red Ridge Salvage Permit**

Timber salvage of diseased, dead, and down timber on approximately 677 acres.

Proposed Implementation Date: 3/21/2006

County: Lake

**Minerals Management Bureau**

**Lone Tree-Johnson 36-4-H Well (NWNW)**

Access and build an oil well location on non-state surface, but state minerals.

Proposed Implementation Date: 1/1/2006

County: Richland

**Croft Petroleum Company**

Proposal to drill three exploratory oil wells and construct access roads into the well sites.

Proposed Implementation Date: 1/15/2006

County: Blaine

**Proposed Exploratory Natural Gas Well SW Cherry Patch #13-16 Well (SWSW)**

Drill an exploratory natural gas well and construct an access road across a tract of state grazing land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/10/2006

County: Blaine

**Natural Gas Pipeline**

Install a 4" poly natural gas pipeline.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/15/2006

County: Roosevelt

**Seismic Permit No. 1475**

Conduct a 3-D seismic project across a tract of state grazing land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/15/2006

County: Blaine

**Seismic Permit NO. 1476**

Application for a seismic permit to conduct the Hedges Creek 3-D seismic project across thirteen tracts of state land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 3/1/2006

County: Blaine

**Big Bear #1 Wildcat Well**

Drill a wildcat well.

Proposed Implementation Date: 3/6/2006

County: Musselshell

**Seismic Permit No. 1478-Cricket 3-D**

Conduct the Cricket 3-D seismic project.

Proposed Implementation Date: 3/15/2006

County: Blaine

**Petro-Canada's State 36-43 Wellsite**

Drilling, coring, and testing a CBM exploratory well.

Proposed Implementation Date: 3/23/2006

County: Big Horn

**Real Estate Management Bureau**

**Northwestern Energy Dillon/Salmon Bannack Transmission Line Easement**

Application for a 40 foot wide right-of-way easement on state land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 1/1/2006

County: Beaverhead

**Reed Point Logging Haul Access Road**

Utilize an existing roadway to haul saw logs harvested from adjoining private land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 1/1/2006

County: Sweet Grass County

**Jellison Road Parking Lot and Access Road**

Construct a 60'x30' parking lot for the purpose of facilitating recreation access to the state land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/1/2006

County: Yellowstone

**Buried Telecommunication Line**

Amendment to an existing Right-of-Way easement to place a new buried telecommunications line next to an existing line located on state land.

Proposed Implementation Date: 2/23/2006

County: Daniels

# **Environmental Assessment List**

May 1, 2006

## **Forestry Division**

### **Service Forestry Bureau**

#### **Sverdsten-Nieslanik-West Fork Timber Creek Crossing**

310 permit for a temporary crossing of West Fork Timber Creek near Haugan.

Proposed Implementation Date: 1/1/2006

County: Mineral