GARFIELD COUNTY ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD (EAB) MEETING MINUTES
Thursday June 2, 2016
Location: Rifle Library, Rifle, Colorado

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION
Vice Chair Robin Haney called the meeting to order at: 6:00 P.M. Secretary Jake Janicek conducted roll call and read the EAB mission statement.

EAB members in attendance:

- Kirby Wynn (Garfield County)
- Ed Green (City of Rifle)
- Art Riddle (Town of New Castle)
- Tom Rugaard (Town of Parachute)
- Marc Morton (Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission)
- Don Mumma (Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee)
- Leslie Robinson (Grand Valley Citizens Alliance)
- Robin Haney (Colorado Mountain College (Vice Chair))
- Bob Arrington (Citizen Rep Battlement Mesa/Battlement Creek)
- Jeff Simonson (Divide Creek)
- Scott Brynildson (Mamm Creek/Hunter Mesa)
- Howard Orona (Parachute/Parachute Creek)
- Tom VonDette (Taughenbaugh Mesa)
- Jason Metcalf (Una Bridge/Wallace Creek/Spring Creek)
- Jake Janicek (Caerus Oil & Gas (Secretary))
- Jason Eckman (Encana Oil & Gas)
- Wayne Bankert (Laramie Energy, LLC)
- Brian Gardner (Summit Midstream)
- Don Simpson (Ursa Resources)
- Scott Ghan (Vanguard Natural Resources)
- Patrick McCown (Williams Midstream)
- Brian Hotard (WPX Energy)

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES
The board reviewed the April meeting minutes, Tom Vondette motioned to approve, Bob Arrington seconded the motion, the board unanimously approved the April meeting Minutes. The board reviewed the May meeting minutes which had some edits/corrections requested by Bob Arrington, edits/corrections were made, the board reviewed the updated minutes, Bob Arrington motioned to approve, Tom Vondette seconded the motion, the board unanimously approved the Amended May meeting minutes.

NEW BUSINESS
New Business was to discuss and select our next priority for educational and work session topics. Kirby Wynn will email board the results of our previous summary of priority topics. Wynn will be asking for board members to vote for follow up before the August meeting.
OLD BUSINESS
Tom Vondette requested follow up information on Road Issues summary and request for haul route map edits. VonDette asked if the county or the county’s road and bridge department had returned a reply to this report. Kirby Wynn replied that Deb Fiscus Director for the Road & Bridge Department had been working on that and had some proposed changes to the language on the map. Wynn will follow up on that and report back in August.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION
Joe Molloy, PE, Pipeline Safety Program Chief, Colorado Public Utilities Commission presents; A Current View of Pipeline Safety Regulation and Oversight. Garfield County is crisscrossed with natural gas pipelines moving hydrocarbons from the wellhead to market and ultimately to our homes. Despite the overwhelming economic benefit from pipelines, safety is always of paramount concern. Joe Molloy, PE, will discuss how the science of applied engineering informs pipeline safety regulation and oversight to minimize public and environmental safety risks.

PowerPoint and video of the presentation are available from EAB web page: http://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx

Mr. Molloy’s presentation was followed by extensive Q & A.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Marian Wells of Rulison commented on the evening’s educational presentation on pipeline safety and requested a more local view of the subject. Ms. Wells asked if the local O & G companies have informed and trained the Rifle and Parachute fire districts and any other fire districts where you have valves, Ms. Wells asked if she could see a pipeline MRI to see what the pigging actually looks like (Note added by liaison after the meeting: Pigging in the context of pipelines refers to the practice of using devices known as “pigs” to perform various maintenance operations inside a pipe. These operations include but are not limited to cleaning and inspecting the pipeline.) How often do you test, is it dependent on whether it is a gathering line or a transmission line? The percentage of loss you (companies) consider crucial, wall thickness, etc., and lastly perhaps the company could do an autopsy on the gathering line on my property that had a pin hole leak, as too how you found it, when you found it, what the percentage of loss in the wall was or what the cause was, and a general idea of your process in terms of handling leaks.

COMMUNITY COUNTS (CC) UPDATE: Nita Smith, Community Counts.

Community Counts Colorado is a broad-based non-profit organization established to facilitate open and direct dialogue between communities and the energy and extraction industries that encourages timely response and resolution to matters of mutual concern.

Community Counts We currently have 78 members and operate in Garfield, Mesa and Rio Blanco Counties. Newest members are Battlement Mesa Service Association and Battlement Mesa Metropolitan District and D and J Gardner Excavation.

May Concerns/Information –
1. No Concerns
2. Heavy Equipment move by Summit Midstream – 5/3
3. Gravel hauling 5/13 & 5/16 – Caerus Oil & Gas
4. Workover rig move – 5/31 - Chevron

Current Rig Count – 2 Garfield County
1. WPX Energy – 1 Garfield County
2. Caerus Oil & Gas – 1 Garfield County
3. Statewide – 16

Response Line: 866-442-9034
PRESS 1 ENCANA
PRESS 2 WPX
PRESS 3 URSA RESOURCES
PRESS 4 VANGUARD
PRESS 5 CHEVRON
PRESS 6 CAERUS
PRESS 7 LARAMIE ENERGY (FORMERLY – OXY)
PRESS 8 LARAMIE ENERGY (FORMERLY – PICEANCE ENERGY)
PRESS 9 GARFIELD COUNTY OIL & GAS LIAISON
PRESS 0 COMMUNITY COUNTS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
PRESS # XTO ENERGY OR EXXONMOBIL IN RIO BLANCO COUNTY
PRESS * NATURAL SODA IN RIO BLANCO COUNTY

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CHUCK HALL – BATTLEMENT MESA RESIDENT – (NEW BOD)
STEVE RIPPY – BATTLEMENT MESA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT (NEW BOD)

Community Counts Board Meetings are held every other month on the 3rd Wednesday, 3:30 – 5:00 pm at the Town of Parachute. Our next Board meeting will be July 20th, 2016.

Contact information is: Nita Smith, Executive Director, nita@communitycountscolorado.com susan.alvillar@wpxenergy.com (970.263.5315) (970.712.7317 or 303-916-4009) or Susan Alvillar, Board President,

EAB MEMBER UPDATES

Municipalities:

City of Rifle – Ed Green; Nothing to report.

Town of Parachute – Tom Rugaard; Nothing to report.

Town of New Castle – Art Riddle; Nothing to report.

COGCC:

COGCC – Marc Morton
Morton let the board know that the Commission July meeting will take place in Glenwood Springs on July 19- 20, at the Glenwood Springs Community Center, Sopris Rooms A & B. Additionally the COGCC would like to offer training August 3, primarily targeted at small operators. The training will provide staff to train smaller operations may miss out on notices of rule changes that we have had, or don’t get information through west slope COGA or other organizations, you’re welcome to sign up, Diana Burn of
COGCC is coordinating that training you can reach her at 303-894-2100 ext 5106 or email at diana.burn@state.co.us. Lastly there is a new analysis on our website looking at a GIS valuation of proposed Colorado ballot measure number 78, proposing a setback of 2,500 foot from building and other areas of concern, looking at the potential impact of surface area that would take as it shows 90% of all land in the state would become unavailable oil and gas drilling. That number is closer to 98% of land excuded within Garfield County if the ballot measure were to pass.

**School Districts:**

Colorado Mountain College – Robin Haney; Nothing to report.

**Organizations:**

Battlement Mesa Oil & Gas Committee - Don Mumma; Nothing to report.

Grand Valley Citizens Alliance – Leslie Robinson; The GVCA has made no decision about the amendments 78 and 75 regarding setbacks and controls at this time. We expect to have a decision by our next meeting in August. We would also like to support Marian Wells request for more information on pipelines on a local level.

**Citizen Representatives:**

Mamm Creek/Hunter Mesa – Scott Brynilson; We had a power pole that was down and is now fixed, it was near a pipeline but had no impact related to the pipeline. We have a sink hole near a pipeline and after today’s presentation I would like to look into that further.

Parachute/Parachute Creek – Howard Orona; Nothing to Report

Una Bridge/Wallace Creek/Spring Creek – Jason Metcalf; After talking to neighbors in our area they would like to notify operators that they will have a lot of farm equipment on the roads in that area at this time of year.

Divide Creek - Jeff Simonson; Nothing to Report

Taughenbaugh Mesa – Tom VonDette; Rig move going on, not too bad out there. I called Kirby about a spill on the road. (Liaison added note. *Investigation indicated it was likely a hydraulic fluid line from a truck that had drivne that section of road.*)

**Operators:**

WPX Energy – Brian Hotard; Have 1 rig operating in Riley Gulch in section 9, 796, completing some wells in Riley Gulch, and flat irons mesa area . We have transitioned from WPX to Terra. Terra kept approximately 70% of the workforce, Terra is a different company that WPX as in they only operate in the Piceance Basin and WPX operated in 4 basins because of that Terra had to right size their workforce. WPX offered a very generous severance package to the 58 people that were impacted by the asset sale. We are WPX until July 1st and will then be Terra employees, we are looking forward to the transition.

Williams Midstream – Patrick McCown; Nothing new report.

Ursa Operating Co. – Don Simpson; Not much has changed since the last meeting, we have completions going on Monument Ridge B Pad (17 wells), on June 7th we plan to begin drilling Tompkins
Pad (18 wells) followed by construction of pipeline between Tompkins Pad and Monument Ridge B Pad.

We’ve had some questions about the status of our permits for the B and the D pad in Battlement Mesa, we are working with the COGCC on any questions they might have, we are day 170 in this process. All the T’s have been crossed and the I’s dotted.

**Caerus Oil & Gas – Jake Janicek:** We have started fracking at the P2 pad and have about a week or two there. We moved our rig over to the 17L location south of the Rulison exit. We’ll have a presentation next month.

**Enterprise Products – Shawn Brennan:** Kirby delivered an emailed update; Nothing new report.

**Encana Oil & Gas – Jason Eckman:** Maintaining operations, operating about 3,000 wells with no plans to drill this year.

**Vanguard Natural Resources - Scott Ghan:** Nothing new report.

**Summit Midstream - Brian Gardner:** We are going to start building a 3,000 foot pipe on Flat Iron Mesa June 13th

**Laramie Energy (formerly Piceance Energy) – Wayne Bankert:** Nothing new to report in Garfield County. We had issues with the Salt Creek slide in Mesa County we had 2 pads effected by the sag pond that burst came down the slide area. Nothing was impacted other than 3 ft. of mud inundating the area and one chemical tote with corrosion inhibitor that was floated by the mud and the lid was lose and we lost about 20 gallons

**County:**

**Garfield County – Kirby Wynn**
Wynn introduced himself as the Garfield County Oil & Gas Liaison. PowerPoint of his update is available on the EAB website at: [http://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx](http://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx)

There is an email sign up list available if any new attendees would like to be added to the mailing list for EAB and other notifications, or you can contact npayne@garfield-county.com or call 970-625-5915. (Provided as a PowerPoint presentation available online at: [http://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx](http://www.garfield-county.com/oil-gas/energy-advisory-board.aspx)

Resident calls to the office for May 2016 are; 1 Road Condition/Safety Concern, 24 Information Requests.

There are 2 rigs currently drilling in Garfield County. 116 drilling permits have been approved so far in Garfield County this year. Annual well starts in Garfield County 39.

**Ursa Battlement Mesa Permit Applications:**
- County permit application was approved for 2 well pads within Battlement Mesa PUD
- COGCC permit review process is underway. Decision is overdue and expected by early July (best guess)
- County, State Health Department and general public comments are being considered by COGCC
- Oil & Gas Liaison has standing agenda item for Battlement Mesa Service Association and a regular informational column in monthly BMSA newsletter
We have received our annual air quality report from our consultant. Morgan Hill is Garfield Counties Environmental Health Specialist. Annual Air Monitoring Reports are available on the county website at http://www.garfield-county.com/air-quality/ Our air monitoring sites are in Battlement Mesa, Parachute, Bell Ranch and our mobile unit is in Glenwood Springs right now.

Again, to report an oil & gas related health concern to Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, please fill out the web-based form http://www.oghir.dphe.state.co.us or call the HELP Line at 303-389-1687.

Kirby encourages citizens who are having issues or questions regarding oil and gas to contact him to get the matter resolved quickly. If folks have questions about oil and gas topics or would like to report an issue please contact Kirby Wynn, Garfield County Oil & Gas Liaison, office 970/625-5905 or cell 970/987-2557 or email at kwynn@garfield-county.com.

**General Information:**
Octoberfest in Parachute will be the 1st Saturday in October.

**ADJOURN**
There being no further business, Robin Haney adjourned the meeting. Next meeting is here in the Rifle Library on August 4, 2016.

**MOTIONS PASSED AT THIS MEETING**
None.

**NEW ACTION ITEMS:**
None at this time.