

## **BMSA Oil and Gas Committee Meeting of March 9, 2010**

**Members present:** Chairman Bill Nelson, Don Mumma, Lynn Shore, Frances Rose

**Williams' representatives:** Community Relations Susan Alvilar, Planning Coordinator April Mestas, Contract Landman Bryan and Sandy Hotard

**Community members:** BCC members Ron Galterio and Bob Arrington (also on BMSA Board)

Williams presented details of their plans to drill fifteen wells from one well pad on Ted Clark's land, which is within the town limits of Parachute, in the L-shaped area bounded by I-70 and County Road 300A, which goes over the Colorado River and to Battlement Mesa. The infrastructure work will begin early in the spring after permits are granted, but the well drilling is planned for October 2011. Ten of the wells will be on the side of the property that leads to Battlement Mesa.

Six months is the planned length of time for drilling and completion work. Frac'ing and other completion work will begin after the first four wells are drilled. The completion rig will come in two months after drilling starts. The plan is for a one-time well drilling; the site will then be developed for other activities. (An entrance for future development will be across from Cardinal Way.)

Water for drilling will come from the Colorado River; Williams has water rights for river water. Frac'ing water will be trucked in to fill the "Baker Tanks" staged at the site.

Dust and Noise Mitigation will be done. Rig Tours could be available for those who want them.

A gas pipeline will be put in and possibly a water line.

There will an 85-90 foot entrance to the site across from County Road 299 (that is between Parachute Maintenance Building and the Parachute Library). A traffic study was a prerequisite for the Parachute Permit.

The process for permitting is first from the town, then the county, then from CDOT for the Roads.

This property was discussed in 2004; first Williams was asked, then Antero had the leases, then Laramie. When Parachute officials showed a preference for Williams, Laramie and Williams traded leases.

**EAB Report**

Don Mumma, our Local Government Designee, reassured the committee that the Garfield County Energy Advisory Board will continue as an active committee. Over the last year and a half there have been conflicts within the group. An eight-person sub-committee has been formed to look into reorganizing the structure for EAB discussions with guidelines, as well as protocol for the public comment period.

Submitted By FDRose