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Subject: RE: Grouse Lek Monitoring

Tom,

This is exceptionally good news!

As I had mentioned, solid scientific data in this area is sorely needed. A monitoring plan without control sites is next to worthless. Obviously we can't force the company to analyze sites outside of their footprint. You have recognized that fact and stepped up to the plate to cover that gap. My hope is that in addition to coordinating with Crowned Ridge and Sweetland that you can also coordinate with their monitor consultant so that your methodologies complement each other.

I want to personally thank you and GF&P for arriving at this conclusion and moving forward to provide a great solution!

Sincerely,

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