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Subject Duhring Resource Company - Case Nos: B-028-05/08,
B-029-05/08

Good afternoon Tony,

Today I received the 'Bradford OGM Resource Review' packages for two Duhring Resource Company proposals (B-028-05/08, B-029-05/08). I also spoke with Sheldon about these cases this morning. From reviewing Duhring's paper plan, I have both site-specific and general concerns, which may be able to be mitigated against during the review and layout phase. These concerns are noted below.

Case No. B-028: Wells 8-79, 8-88, 8-89, 8-86 and 8-87 are proposed very close to Cherry Run, a HQ-CWF stream. Wells 8-86, 8-89 and 8-88 appear to be within 100-200 feet from Cherry Run. Furthermore, the soil conditions near Cherry Run may be wet in this area.

Case No. B-029: Wells D-35-, D-36, D-37, D-41 and D-42 are proposed on slopes that appear to be steep (over 40%). These wells are proposed approximately 400 feet from West Fork Run, a HQ-CWF. The distance from the proposed wells to West Fork Run may be enough of a filter strip to mitigate against impacts from the proposed development, however, this cannot be determined until a field review occurs.

Overall notes/concerns:

Due to the Bradford's excessive work load (numerous projects that are currently being reviewed), the District probably will not be able to process the proposals within the timeframe 'mandated' by Duhring in the documentation it sent to the District along with these proposals. I do not have a copy of the letters, however, Jim skimmed them when we were at the District last week (Monday, May 12) and noted the "61 day" wording. The District should estimate how long it will take to review these cases and draft a letter to Duhring with this information. Also, the District may need to respond site-specifically (i.e. pit testing) to any other comments/requests that Duhring noted in the documentation. Please let us know (Jim and/or me) if you need any assistance in drafting a response letter. We will be more than willing to assist the District in completing this task.

Again, if you need additional assistance or need additional information, please let us know.

Take care,

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