



# Chapter V

## Sources of Information

### Oil and Gas at Your Door?

**A Landowner's Guide to Oil and Gas Development**  
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## Sources of Information

### RESOURCES ON THE OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

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October 2000. *Profile of the Oil and Gas Extraction Industry*. EPA Office of Compliance Sector Notebook Project.  
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/assistance/sectors/notebooks/oil.html>

Baars, D.L., Watney, W. Lynn, Steeples, Don W., and Brostuen, Erling A. 1993.  
*Petroleum: A Primer for Kansas*. Educational Series 7. Kansas Geological Survey.  
<http://www.kgs.ukans.edu/Publications/Oil/>

*Natural Gas—from wellhead to burner tip*. <http://www.naturalgas.org>

Pembina Institute  
This Canadian institute is an independent, not-for-profit environmental policy research and education organization. Pembina Institute has developed a series of primers on Environment and Energy in the North. While these primers are geared for northern environments, they also contain a lot of excellent general information on the oil and gas development process.  
[http://www.pembina.org/publications\\_item.asp?id=168](http://www.pembina.org/publications_item.asp?id=168)

Centre for Energy  
A Canadian energy industry web site that has some basic overviews of the development process for conventional and nonconventional oil and gas sources. <http://www.centreforenergy.com/generator2.asp?xml=/silos/ong/UNGOoverview01XML.asp&Template=1,1,1>

#### Resources on Oil and Gas Development on Public Lands

See the publication *Preserving our Public Lands* for more information on the federal laws that apply to oil and gas development on public lands. This publication provides citizens with some strategies for protecting public lands from the harmful effects of oil and gas development. To obtain a copy of this publication, contact: the Wyoming Outdoor Council; the Oil and Gas Accountability Project; or download a copy from the Western Resource Advocates web site: [http://www.westernresourceadvocates.org/media/pdf/preserv\\_public\\_lands\\_FINAL.PDF](http://www.westernresourceadvocates.org/media/pdf/preserv_public_lands_FINAL.PDF)

Information on the federal leasing process can be found at the BLM Colorado web site.  
<http://www.co.blm.gov/oilandgas/leasinstruct.htm>

Regulations that govern the BLM's oil and gas leasing program may be found in Title 43, Groups 3000 and 3100 of the Code of Federal Regulations (a publication available in BLM State Offices, law libraries and most public libraries).

Morton, P., Weller, C., Thomson, J., Haefele, M. and Culver, N. 2002.  
*Coalbed methane and public wildlands: how much and at what cost?*  
<http://www.wilderness.org/Library/Documents/upload/Drilling-in-the-Rocky-Mountains-How-Much-and-at-What-Cost.pdf>

### **Resources on Impacts to Livestock**

Marr-Laing, T. and Severson-Baker, C. 1999. *Beyond "Eco-terrorism": The Deeper Issues Affecting Alberta's Oilpatch*. Pembina Institute for Appropriate Development. Drayton Valley, Alberta. pp. 13-15. This report describes a number of studies that have shown links between oil and gas operations and health effects on livestock.  
<http://www.pembina.org/pdf/publications/oilpatch.pdf>

### **Resources on Air Emissions**

The *Health Effects Notebook for Hazardous Air Pollutants* is an excellent resource for information on specific air pollutants. It can be found on the U.S. EPA's web site.  
<http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/hapindex.html>

An excellent report on the impact of hydrogen sulfide emissions from gas wells and related facilities on surface owners is: Schindler, D. 2001. *Survey of Accidental and Intentional Hydrogen Sulfide Releases Causing Evacuations and/or Injuries in Manistee and Mason Counties from 1980 to 2001*. <http://www.mecprotects.org/oilaccidents.pdf>

### **Resources on Oil and Gas Noise**

Breul and Kjaer. 2000. *Environmental Noise Handbook*.  
[http://www.macavsat.org/pdf\\_files/misc\\_reports/bk.pdf](http://www.macavsat.org/pdf_files/misc_reports/bk.pdf)

Berglund, B., Lindvall, T. and Schwela, D. 1999. *Guidelines for Community Noise*. World Health Organization. <http://www.who.int/docstore/peh/noise/Commnoise2.htm>

Leventhall, G. 2003. *A Review of Published Research on Low Frequency Noise and its Effects*. Prepared for Department for Environmental Foods and Rural Affairs. (United Kingdom). <http://www.defra.gov.uk/environmental/noise/lowfrequency/index.htm>

Danish Environmental Protection Agency. 2002. *Danish Guidelines On Environmental Low Frequency Noise, Infrasound And Vibration*.  
<http://www.mst.dk/transportuk/02030000.htm#vibration>

### **Resources on Oil and Gas Processing, Refining, Pipelines and Liquefied Natural Gas**

NaturalGas.org

For more details on the steps involved in processing natural gas, read "Processing Natural Gas" at the NaturalGas.org web site.

[http://www.naturalgas.org/naturalgas/processing\\_ng.asp](http://www.naturalgas.org/naturalgas/processing_ng.asp)

Pipeline Safety Trust

The Pipeline Safety Trust promotes fuel transportation safety. This web site has an extensive library with information on pipeline accidents, pipeline policies and regulations, and more.

<http://pstrust.org/>

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

*Landowner Guide: An interstate natural gas facility on my land - what do I need to know?*  
<http://www.ferc.gov/about/doing/6513gpo.pdf>

Oil spill information research links.

This site provides a listing of government, industry, academic and nonprofit organizational web sites, with descriptions of the information offered on the various sites.

<http://www.racerocks.com/pearson/ensy/oils/esoilspl.htm>

### Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Watch

The “LNGwatch” web site has been created by a coalition of citizens and organizations concerned with the health issues associated with LNG. The site contains links to various resources and information on LNG. <http://lngwatch.com/>

### Energy Justice Network

The network works locally (Pennsylvania), nationally, and internationally, focusing primarily on liquefied natural gas issues. The network has also work on combined cycle natural gas power plants and other “dirty energy” issues. Contact Mike Ewall (215-743-4884, [catalyst@action-pa.org](mailto:catalyst@action-pa.org)) or visit their web site. <http://www.energyjustice.net>

## **RESOURCES ON “BEST” OR ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES AND PRACTICES**

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The authors of this publication do not claim that any specific technologies or practices in the following resources are the “best”. The resources are included as potential sources of information on alternative practices in the oil and gas industry. Surface owners will have to decide for themselves what technologies and practices fit best with their needs.

### **Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation**

A pollution prevention opportunities guide for the oil field service industry, from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Pollution Prevention Office.  
<http://es.epa.gov/program/regional/trade/p2-oppt.html>

**A Canadian Working Group** composed of industry, government, and public interest groups produced *Best Management Practices for Control of Benzene Emissions from Glycol Dehydrators*, which outlines methods for minimizing benzene emissions in new and existing plants; and provides more information on alternatives to glycol dehydration. The document is available on the Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada (SEPAAC) web site  
<http://www.sepac.ca/Downloads/bmp.pdf>

### **Bureau of Land Management.**

The BLM has a program dedicated to techniques used to reduce the visual impacts from surface disturbing projects. Information on this program can be found at  
<http://www.blm.gov/nstc/VRM/destech.html>

### **Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**

The commission’s Outstanding Oil and Gas Operation Awards may give landowners a sense of what some companies have done to set them apart from the rest of the industry.  
[http://www.dnr.state.co.us/cdnr\\_news/oil-gas/2001810132249.html](http://www.dnr.state.co.us/cdnr_news/oil-gas/2001810132249.html)

### **Groundwater Protection Council**

For example, they held a Produced Water Conference on Oct 15-17, 2002 in Colorado Springs, CO. Proceedings from this conference can be found at  
<http://www.gwpc.org/Meetings/PW2002/Post-Meeting-Report.htm>

### **New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department**

In 2000, the Oil Conservation Division of the department released a two volume handbook on Pollution Prevention - Best Management Practices for the Oil and Gas Industry.  
<http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd/>

### **Petroleum Technology Transfer Center (PTTC)**

Case Studies on various technologies (some of these are highly technical) [http://www.pttc.org/case\\_studies/case\\_studies.htm](http://www.pttc.org/case_studies/case_studies.htm), and PTTC Technology Connections: State-of-the-Art Technology Summary [http://www.pttc.org/tech\\_sum/statev8no1.htm](http://www.pttc.org/tech_sum/statev8no1.htm)

### **Railroad Commission of Texas**

This state regulatory body has waste minimization information for various oil and gas related operations; a guidance document *Minimization in the Oil Field Manual*; and case histories of waste minimization projects.

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/og/key-programs/ogkwast.html>

### **Southwest Pollution Prevention Center, Gas and Oil Hub**

This site provides a great deal of information on oil and gas pollution prevention alternatives for all stages of oil and gas development (drilling, well completion, oil and gas processing, oil and gas storage, pipelines, well servicing, oil recovery, transportation and more). Also, the site provides lists of wastes associated with various stages of oil and gas operations

<http://p2.utep.edu/hubs/toc.cfm?hub=11&subsec=7&nav=7>

### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

*Oil and Gas Industry Sector Notebook* describes pollution prevention opportunities

<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/assistance/sectors/notebooks/oil.html>

EPA's Natural Gas STAR Program is a source of information on waste minimization techniques in natural gas treating and processing operations. The program is designed to promote environmental protection through cost-effective measures without regulation, by encouraging natural gas companies to adopt "best management practices" that can reduce methane emissions. More information on the Natural Gas Star Program can be obtained by contacting: U.S. EPA Natural Gas Star Program, U.S. EPA, 401 M Street, SW Washington, DC 20460.

<http://134.67.55.16:777/dc/methane/home.nsf/pages/gasstar>

The Illinois office of the EPA produced the document *Best Management Practices for Oil Exploration and Extraction*.

<http://www.epa.state.il.us/p2/fact-sheets/bmp-oil-exploration.html>

### **Western Governor's Association**

The WGA is developing a handbook of best management practices for coalbed methane development. Some of the topics likely to be addressed in their handbook include practices related to planning, landowner relations, land use, water, infrastructure, and fish and wildlife habitat. The handbook should be available in 2004. <http://www.westgov.org/>

### **Drilling Waste Management Information System**

This is an online resource created by the Argonne National Laboratory and industry. It contains technical and regulatory information on standard and better practices for managing drilling wastes. <http://web.ead.anl.gov/dwm/>

## **COALBED METHANE RESOURCES**

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### **High Country News**

This newspaper produced a special report called *Coalbed Methane Boom*. It can be found on their web site. <http://www.hcn.org>

### **ALL Consulting**

ALL Consulting has prepared some in-depth material on CBM, including some information on

best practices and mitigation strategies. <http://www.all-llc.com/CBM/>

### **Wyoming CBM Clearinghouse**

This web site is a clearinghouse of information about coalbed methane (CBM) in and around the state of Wyoming. The CBM Clearinghouse is a joint project of the University of Wyoming and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. <http://www.cbmclearinghouse.info/>

### **East of Huajatolla Citizens Alliance**

This group has produced numerous information sheets for citizens dealing with CBM development (including issues such as health and welfare, produced water, impacts on wildlife and livestock, well spacing, and many others). <http://ehcitizens.org/cbmgas/index.htm>

### **Montana Department of Environmental Quality**

See their information on CBM Environmental and Economic Issues, which contains papers on agriculture, irrigation, water quality, air quality, biological issues, geology and soils, social and economic impacts, and other issues, including a study on *Potential Costs and Benefits to Montanans from CBM Development*. <http://www.deq.state.mt.us/CoalBedMethane/index.asp>

## **RESOURCES ON SLAPP SUITS**

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### **California Anti-SLAPP Project (CASP)**

CASP is dedicated to helping protect and further the rights of Californians to participate in government and civic affairs and to speak freely about public issues. CASP maintains a resource and information center about California SLAPPs. CASP also provides legal assistance and representation to individuals and organizations to defend against SLAPPs.

Phone: 510-486-9123

<http://www.casp.net>

### **First Amendment Project (FAP)**

FAP is a nonprofit public interest law firm active in two main areas of First Amendment law: anti-SLAPP and open government. FAP provides legal representation to individuals and organizations to defend against SLAPPs.

Phone: 510-208-7744

<http://www.thefirstamendment.org>

### **Political Litigation Project, University of Denver School of Law**

The Political Litigation Project is run by University of Denver Professors George Pring and Penelope Canan, the leading authorities on SLAPPs. They have a wealth of knowledge about SLAPPs all over the United States, and beyond.

Phone: 303-871-2049

### **SLAPP Resource Center**

<http://www.slapps.org>

## **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES FOR SURFACE OWNERS**

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For landowners facing gas well development, a number of resources are available. Information on various issues including how to negotiate with an oil and gas company and developing a surface use agreement can be accessed by contacting the nonprofit organizations and/or visiting the websites of the groups listed below. (As well as the groups listed in the Coalbed Methane Resources section.)

### **East of Huajatolla Citizens Alliance in Colorado**

This organization has useful information sheets on coalbed methane, and many of these fact sheets are useful for those dealing with conventional oil and gas extraction (e.g., topics such as Surface Use Agreements, Pooling, Force Pooling, Spacing, Citizens Rights and Responsibilities, and many others).

Phone: 719-941-4740 <http://www.ehcitizens.org/cbmgas>

### **Northern Plains Resource Council**

This Montana organization has produced a number of publications for surface owners, including *Coal Bed Methane - A guide to protecting your property*, and *Your Lands, Your Rights*.

Phone: 406-248-1154

<http://www.northernplains.org>

### **Oil and Gas Accountability Project**

This Colorado/New Mexico group has produced this guide, along with various other materials that are helpful for surface owners.

Phone: 970-259-3353

<http://www.ogap.org>

### **Powder River Basin Resource Council**

Located in Wyoming, this group has a section on their web site "Help for Surface Owners," which includes example legal documents, surface damage agreement checklist and a lot of other great information.

Phone: 307-358-5002 or 307-672-5809

[http://www.powderriverbasin.org/helpforsurface\\_owners.htm](http://www.powderriverbasin.org/helpforsurface_owners.htm)

### **Western Organization of Resource Councils**

A Montana-based group with a number of reports and fact sheets that may be useful to landowners (See also CBM resources above). These include: *How to Negotiate*; *How to Deal With Intimidation* and *Protecting Surface Owners and Promoting Responsible Coal Bed Methane Development*

Phone: 406-252-9672

<http://www.worc.org>

### **Michigan Land Use Institute**

This organization has a great deal of information on surface owner issues with oil and gas. They also have a *Leasing Packet for Michigan Property Owners*, which includes educational information, tips on negotiating a lease, and model language for a lease addendum.

According to the Institute, this packet has helped numerous property owners receive higher royalty rates, and establish protections for their surface land and groundwater. The leasing packet is free to Institute members, and is \$15 for non-members.

Phone: 231-882-4723

<http://www.mlui.org>

## **GOVERNMENT-PRODUCED LANDOWNER GUIDES AND RESOURCES**

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*A Landowner's Guide to Oil and Gas in Alabama*, by Strudwick Marvin Rogers, J.D., and Lisa Lee Mancini. 26 p. 1991. \$4.50. Order from Alabama Oil and Gas Board.

<http://www.ogb.state.al.us/>

*Landowners Guide on Oil and Gas Leasing*. Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Free Brochure. <http://www.ohiodnr.com/mineral/oil/o6.htm>

*Answers to Typical Questions from the Public and Information for Surface Owners.* Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. <http://oil-gas.state.co.us/General.html>

*Landowners and Oil and Gas Leases in Pennsylvania.* Department of Environmental Protection. Fact Sheet. <http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/minres/oilgas/fs2834.htm>

*A Landowner's Guide to Oil and Gas Leasing.* New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Mineral Resources. Brochure. <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dmn/Lndownrguide.htm>

## **OTHER LANDOWNER AND MINERAL OWNER RESOURCES**

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David, Rick D. April 2000. *Conflicts Between Surface Owners and Mineral Lessees.* Internal Paper, Cotton, Bledsoe, Tighe & Dawson, P.C., Attorneys at Law (Midland, Texas). <http://www.cbtd.com/news/conflicts.pdf>

National Association of Royalty Owners (NARO) is geared toward mineral owners. They have free brochures, and paid publications on mineral deeds, leasing, *How to Survive Force Pooling*, and other topics. <http://www.naro-us.org/index.shtml>

PETEX Publications. *Land and Leasing.* This manual is for landowners, landmen, lawyers, and investors as well as all oil company employees. It takes a layperson's approach to the legal aspects of land-ownership, transfer, and leasing, privately owned land; state and federal lands; preparations for drilling, producing, and selling; agreements to explore and develop leased properties; and pooling, unitization, and release. It uses examples from Alaska, California, Louisiana, and Canada, Kansas, Michigan, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wyoming. 1984, 287 pp. \$21. <http://www.utexas.edu/cee/petex/pubs/reference.html>

Purdue University Agricultural Economics Department. *Negotiating Oil and Gas Leases on Indiana Farmland.* <http://www.agcom.purdue.edu/AgCom/Pubs/EC/EC-564.html>

Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University has information for mineral owners and surface owners. Topics include: Negotiating Leases; Scrutinizing Royalty Payments; Recovery of Surface Damages and Remediation Costs; Subdivision Drill Sites, and more. <http://recenter.tamu.edu/pubs/catoilg.html>

Straube, Michele and Holland, Melinda. March, 2003. *A Conflict Assessment of Split Estate Issues and a Model Agreement Approach to Resolving Conflicts Over Coalbed Methane Development in the Powder River Basin.* Prepared For: U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution. <http://www.ecr.gov/pdf/CAR.pdf>



## **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WORKING ON OIL, NATURAL GAS AND CBM ISSUES**

### **NATIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **Oil and Gas Accountability Project**

OGAP works with citizens and communities from the U.S. and Canada. Visit OGAP's web site for information on: general oil and gas issues; public health and toxics; alternative technologies and practices; federal and state regulatory reform; model local regulations; and surface owner protections.

Durango, Colorado Office

Phone: 970-259-3583

Email: [gwen@ogap.org](mailto:gwen@ogap.org);

[bruce@ogap.org](mailto:bruce@ogap.org);

[lisa@ogap.org](mailto:lisa@ogap.org);

[carolyn@ogap.org](mailto:carolyn@ogap.org)

Bozeman, Montana Office:

Phone: 505-776-3276

Email: [jennifergoldman@ogap.org](mailto:jennifergoldman@ogap.org)

<http://www.ogap.org>

#### **Natural Resources Defense Council**

Headquarters: New York

Phone: (212) 727-2700

Email: [nrdcinfo@nrdc.org](mailto:nrdcinfo@nrdc.org)

<http://www.nrdc.org>

#### **The Wilderness Society**

Head office: Washington, DC

Phone: 1-800-THE-WILD

<http://www.wilderness.org>

#### **Western Organization of Resource Councils**

WORC is a regional network of seven grassroots community groups from Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, and Colorado. WORC also has an office in Washington, DC.

Phone: 406-252-9672

Email: [billings@worc.org](mailto:billings@worc.org); [dc@worc.org](mailto:dc@worc.org)

<http://www.worc.org>

### **STATE-BASED ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **Alaska**

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##### **Alaska Center for the Environment, Anchorage**

Phone: 907-574-3647

Email: [cliff@akcenter.org](mailto:cliff@akcenter.org) <http://www.akcenter.org>

##### **Cook Inlet Keeper, Homer**

Phone: 907-235-4068

Email: [bob@inletkeeper.org](mailto:bob@inletkeeper.org)

<http://www.inletkeeper.org>

**Denali Citizens Council, Denali Park**

Phone: 907-683-2593

Email: [leslie@denalicitizens.org](mailto:leslie@denalicitizens.org)

<http://www.denalicitizens.org>

**Friends of Mat-Su (Alaska), Palmer**

Phone: 907-746-0130

Email: [cbm@pobox.mtaonline.net](mailto:cbm@pobox.mtaonline.net)

<http://www.foms.net>

**Northern Alaska Environmental Center, Fairbanks**

Phone: 907-452-5021 Email: [info@northern.org](mailto:info@northern.org)

<http://www.northern.org/artman/publish/coalBed.shtml>

**Colorado**

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**Grand Valley Citizens Alliance, Parachute**

Phone: 970-285-6276

**San Juan Citizens Alliance, Durango (works in San Juan Basin)**

Phone: 970-259-3583

Email: [dan@sanjuancitizens.org](mailto:dan@sanjuancitizens.org); [mpearson@frontier.net](mailto:mpearson@frontier.net)

<http://www.sanjuancitizens.org>

**Southern Colorado CURE, Weston**

Phone: 719-846-6863

Email: [pbieber@sensonics.org](mailto:pbieber@sensonics.org)

**Western Colorado Congress, Grand Junction**

Phone: 970-256-7650

Email: [info@wcccongress.org](mailto:info@wcccongress.org)

<http://www.wcccongress.org>

**Western Slope Environmental Resource Council, Paonia**

Phone: 970-527-5307

Email: [wserc@wserc.org](mailto:wserc@wserc.org)

<http://www.wserc.org>

**Kentucky**

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**Kentucky Resources Council, Frankfort**

Phone: 502-875-2428

Email: [fitzkrc@aol.com](mailto:fitzkrc@aol.com)

<http://www.kyrc.org>

**Montana**

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**Greater Yellowstone Coalition, Bozeman**

Phone: 406-586-1593

Email: [mfrost@greateryellowstone.org](mailto:mfrost@greateryellowstone.org)

<http://www.greateryellowstone.org>

**Native Action, Lame Deer**

Phone: 406-477-6390

Email: gsmall@rangeweb.net

**Northern Plains Resource Council, Billings**

Phone: 406-248-1154

Email: teresa@northernplains.org;

<http://www.northernplains.org>

**Surface Owners of the Wolf Mountain Area, Billings**

Phone: 406-259-9295

Email: sowmacrow2002@hotmail.com

**New Mexico**

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**San Juan Citizens Alliance, San Juan Basin**

Aztec, New Mexico

Phone: 505-360-8994

Email: cynthia@sanjuancitizens.org

<http://www.sanjuancitizens.org>

**Coalition for Otero Mesa**

Phone: 505-843-8696

Email: steve@nmwild.org; nathan@nmwild.org

<http://www.oteromesa.org>

**Coalition for Valle Vidal**

Phone: 505-758-3874

Email: jodonnell@vallevidal.org

<http://www.vallevidal.org>

**North Dakota**

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**Dakota Resource Council, Dickinson**

Phone: 701-483-2851 Email: drc@dickinson.ctctel.com

<http://www.drcinfo.com>

**Pennsylvania**

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Allegheny Defense Project Clarion

Phone: 814-223-4996

Email: info@alleghenydefense.org

<http://www.alleghenydefense.org>

**Utah**

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**Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance**

Salt Lake City

Phone: 801-486-3161

Email: heidi@suwa.org; sean@suwa.org

<http://www.suwa.orgWest>

## **Virginia**

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### **Legal Aid of West Virginia, Charleston**

Contact: David McMahon

Email: [wvdauid@wvdavid.net](mailto:wvdauid@wvdavid.net)

## **Wyoming**

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### **Biodiversity Conservation Alliance, Laramie**

Phone: 307-742-7978

Email: [erik@voiceforthewild.org](mailto:erik@voiceforthewild.org)

<http://www.biodiversityassociates.org>

### **Clark Resource Council, Clark (front range of Beartooth Mountains)**

Email: [dthomas@nemontel.net](mailto:dthomas@nemontel.net)

<http://www.clarkresourcecouncil.org>

### **Powder River Basin Resource Council, Sheridan**

Phone: 307-672-5809

Email: [jillm@powderriverbasin.org](mailto:jillm@powderriverbasin.org); [gillian@powderriverbasin.org](mailto:gillian@powderriverbasin.org)

<http://www.powderriverbasin.org>

### **Wyoming Outdoor Council, Lander**

Phone: 307-332-7031

<http://www.wyomingoutdoorcouncil.org>

## STATE REGULATORY AGENCIES

State Oil and Gas Regulatory Agencies		Contact Information
Alabama	State Oil and Gas Board	<a href="http://www.ogb.state.al.us">http://www.ogb.state.al.us</a> Ph: 205-349-2852
Alaska	Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	<a href="http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/ADMIN/ogc/homeogc.htm">http://www.state.ak.us/local/akpages/ADMIN/ogc/homeogc.htm</a> Ph: 907-279-1433
	Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas	<a href="http://www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/oil/">http://www.dog.dnr.state.ak.us/oil/</a> Ph: 907-269-8800
Arizona	Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	<a href="http://www.azgs.state.az.us/OGCC.htm">http://www.azgs.state.az.us/OGCC.htm</a> Ph: 520-770-3500
Arkansas	Oil and Gas Commission	<a href="http://www.aogc.state.ar.us/">http://www.aogc.state.ar.us/</a> Ph: 501-862-4965
California	Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources	<a href="http://www.consrv.ca.gov/DOG/">http://www.consrv.ca.gov/DOG/</a> Ph: 916-445-9686
Colorado	Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	<a href="http://oil-gas.state.co.us/">http://oil-gas.state.co.us/</a> Ph: 303-894-2100
Florida	Department of Environmental Protection, Geological Survey	<a href="http://www.dep.state.fl.us/geology/">http://www.dep.state.fl.us/geology/</a> Ph: 850-488-4191
Georgia	Natural Resources/Environmental Protection	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.ga.us/dnr/environ/">http://www.dnr.state.ga.us/dnr/environ/</a> Ph: 404-751-6612
Idaho	Department of Lands, Bureau of Surface and Mineral Resources, Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	<a href="http://www2.state.id.us/lands/Bureau/Surface_and_Mineral_Resources/Surface_Minerals_Resource_Mngmnt_Bur.htm">http://www2.state.id.us/lands/Bureau/Surface_and_Mineral_Resources/Surface_Minerals_Resource_Mngmnt_Bur.htm</a> Ph: 208-334-0200
Illinois	Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas	<a href="http://dnr.state.il.us/mines/dog/welcome.htm">http://dnr.state.il.us/mines/dog/welcome.htm</a> Ph: 217-782-7756
Indiana	Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas	<a href="http://www.state.in.us/dnroil/">http://www.state.in.us/dnroil/</a> Ph: 317-232-4055
Kansas	Kansas Corporation Commission, Conservation Division	<a href="http://www.kcc.state.ks.us/conservation/conservation.htm">http://www.kcc.state.ks.us/conservation/conservation.htm</a> Ph: 315-337-6200
Kentucky	Department of Mines and Minerals, Division of Oil and Gas	<a href="http://dmm.ppr.ky.gov/OilAndGas.htm">http://dmm.ppr.ky.gov/OilAndGas.htm</a> Ph: 502-573-0147
Louisiana	Department of Natural Resources, Office of Conservation	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.la.us/cons/conserv.ssih">http://www.dnr.state.la.us/cons/conserv.ssih</a> Ph: 225-342-5570
Michigan	Department of Environmental Quality, Geological and Land Management Division	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3311_4111--,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,1607,7-135-3311_4111--,00.html</a> Ph: 517-373-7917
Mississippi	Oil and Gas Board	<a href="http://www.ogb.state.ms.us">http://www.ogb.state.ms.us</a> Ph: 601-354-7142
Missouri	Department of Natural Resources, Geological Survey and Resource Assessment Division	<a href="http://www.dnr.mo.gov/geology/geosrv/oil.htm">http://www.dnr.mo.gov/geology/geosrv/oil.htm</a> Ph: 573-368-2100
Montana	Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation	<a href="http://bogc.dnrc.state.mt.us/">http://bogc.dnrc.state.mt.us/</a> Ph: 406-656-0040
Nebraska	Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	<a href="http://www.nogcc.ne.gov">http://www.nogcc.ne.gov</a> Ph: 308-254-6919
Nevada	Commission on Mineral Resources; Division of Minerals, Oil, Gas and Geothermal	<a href="http://minerals.state.nv.us/programs/ogg.htm">http://minerals.state.nv.us/programs/ogg.htm</a> Ph: 775-684-7040

New Mexico	Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Commission	<a href="http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd">http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd</a> Ph: 505-476-3440
New York	Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Mineral Resources	<a href="http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dmn">http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dmn</a> Ph: 518-402-8076
North Dakota	Industrial Commission, Oil and Gas Division	<a href="http://www.oilgas.nd.gov/">http://www.oilgas.nd.gov/</a> Ph: 701-328-8020
Ohio	Ohio Department of Natural Resources	<a href="http://www.ohiodnr.com/mineral/oil">http://www.ohiodnr.com/mineral/oil</a> Ph: 614-265-6633
Oklahoma	Corporation Commission, Oil and Gas Conservation Division	<a href="http://www.occ.state.ok.us/Divisions/OG/Og.htm">http://www.occ.state.ok.us/Divisions/OG/Og.htm</a> Ph: 405-521-2211
Oregon	Department of Geology and Mineral Industries; Oil, Gas and Geothermal Regulatory and Reclamation Program	<a href="http://www.oregongeology.com/oil/oilhome.htm">http://www.oregongeology.com/oil/oilhome.htm</a> Ph: 503-731-4100
Pennsylvania	Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Oil and Gas Management	<a href="http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/minres/oilgas/oilgas.htm">http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/minres/oilgas/oilgas.htm</a> Ph: 717-772-2199
South Dakota	Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Minerals and Mining Program	<a href="http://www.state.sd.us/denr/des/mining/oil&amp;gas/o&amp;ghome.htm">http://www.state.sd.us/denr/des/mining/oil&amp;gas/o&amp;ghome.htm</a> Ph: 605-394-2229
Tennessee	Department of Environment and Conservation, State Oil and Gas Board	<a href="http://www.state.tn.us/environment/boards/oilandgas.php">http://www.state.tn.us/environment/boards/oilandgas.php</a> Ph: 615-532-1500
Texas	Railroad Commission, Crude Oil and Natural Gas	<a href="http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/og/og.html">http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/og/og.html</a> Ph: 512-463-6977
Utah	Division of Oil, Gas and Mining	<a href="http://www.ogm.utah.gov/oilgas/">http://www.ogm.utah.gov/oilgas/</a> Ph: 801-538-5277
Virginia	Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Gas and Oil	<a href="http://www.mme.state.va.us/Dgo/default.htm">http://www.mme.state.va.us/Dgo/default.htm</a> Ph: 276-676-5423
Washington	The Department of Natural Resources, Division of Geology and Earth Resources, Energy (Oil and Gas) Regulation	<a href="http://www.dnr.wa.gov/geology/energy.htm">http://www.dnr.wa.gov/geology/energy.htm</a> Ph: 360-902-1450
West Virginia	Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Oil and Gas	<a href="http://www.dep.state.wv.us/item.cfm?ssid=23">http://www.dep.state.wv.us/item.cfm?ssid=23</a> Ph: 304-558-6075
Wyoming	Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	<a href="http://wogcc.state.wy.us/">http://wogcc.state.wy.us/</a> Ph: 307-777-7434