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Proposed Revisions to Chapters 8, 9 and 10
Noncoal Rules and Regulations addressing requirements for exploration by drilling, small mining operations and limited mining operations

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Dear Mr. Hults:

The staff of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department has reviewed the proposed revisions to Chapters 8, 9 and 10 Non-coal Rules and Regulations addressing requirements for exploration by drilling, small mining operations and limited mining operations. We offer the following comments for your consideration.

In general, we support the proposed revisions for Chapters 8, 9 and 10. These changes should improve the process as they provide better explanation to the current rules.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Scott Gamo, Staff Terrestrial Biologist, at 307-777 4509.

Sincerely,

John Emmerich Deputy Director

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