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### Coal Bed Methane Produced Water Working Group To Convene.

**Cheyenne, Wyo.** - A working group is being convened by the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to discuss issues related to water being discharged from coal bed methane (CBM) wells in the Powder River Basin.

The group is comprised of invited members from a broad spectrum of entities affected by CBM operations. The first meeting of the group will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Dec 2, 2009 at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, 2009 S. Douglas Hwy, Gillette, Wyoming.

At this meeting the working group will receive presentations on the status of current CBM production, associated water discharges and the regulatory history of CBM development in the state. There will then be discussion among the group members on the current situation to identify what is working satisfactorily and what issues need to be addressed. The group will then spend some time developing a charter for their subsequent work and identify next steps needed to resolve the outstanding issues.

This process is open to the public and opportunity will be provided for comments from any attendees who would like to provide input. For additional information, contact Dan Clark, WY DEQ, 307 777-7388 or [dclark@wyo.gov](mailto:dclark@wyo.gov).

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