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Coal Bed Methane Produced Water Working Group to Convene

Cheyenne, Wyo. - On Monday, February 1, 2010 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. the Coal bed Methane Produced Water Working Group will reconvene for their third meeting at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, 2009 S. Douglas Hwy, Gillette, Wyoming.

This series of meetings 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.

At this third meeting, the working group will build on work completed during their first two meetings including the group member's interests, goals and issues needing attention. The summary from the previous meeting will be reviewed and any open questions from that session answered. Facilitator Steve Smutko from the Ruckelshaus Institute at the University of Wyoming will then lead the group through additional discussion of the group charter, a review and prioritization of coal bed methane produced water issues and then move into discussion of options to deal with those issues. There will also be time set aside for inputs from members of the general public who may want to offer their views or concerns.

Information from previous meetings of the group and additional support materials provided to the group are available on the internet at:

<http://deq.state.wy.us/Coalbedworkinggroup.htm>.

For additional information or any ADA needs to attend the meeting, contact Dan Clark, DEQ, 307 777-7388 or dclark@wyo.gov.