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Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is beginning the public scoping process for an Environmental Assessment (EA) analyzing effects of the proposed Midway Goldrock well and pipeline project. The project is located on the eastern side of the Pancake Range in White Pine County, Nevada, approximately 30 miles southeast of Eureka and 50 miles west of Ely, Nevada (see attached map).

Midway Gold US Inc. is requesting authorization of a proposed water facility right-of-way (ROW) consisting of an existing well, an access road, a pipeline and an eight foot fence enclosure around the well area. The well and pipeline are needed for the exploration activities for the Midway Goldrock Mine, and if approved would be needed for the life of the mine.

The pipeline is approximately 25,678 feet long, is approximately 5.9 acres and is adjacent to the access road. Midway Gold is requesting a 100 foot ROW corridor for the pipeline and access road (50ft. on either side of centerline for each). Both of the corridors are being requested to facilitate maintenance and operations of the well and pipeline facilities. The road itself is 27,026 feet in length, has a driving width of 12 feet and is approximately 7.5 acres. The well is housed in a building with a concrete foundation and contains cement pillars for supporting piping and fixtures. The fence around the well encloses an area of approximately 13,255 ft², or 0.3 acres.

As a representative of the public that has expressed interest in this type of project you are invited to submit written comments for this proposal. These comments will assist in the determination of issues and could help identify alternatives that should be considered for evaluation in the EA.

The BLM will use the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) public participation requirements to assist the agency in satisfying the public involvement requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) (16 U.S.C. 470(f) pursuant to 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3). The information about historic and cultural resources of value within the area potentially affected by the proposed action will assist the BLM in identifying and evaluating impacts to such resources in the context of both NEPA and Section 106 of the NHPA. Native American or individual concerns, including impacts and potential impacts to culturally valued areas, will be given due consideration.

Any written comments or issues concerning the proposed project that should be considered by BLM for evaluation in the EA should be submitted by March 20, 2013 to:

Bureau of Land Management
Attn: Stephanie Trujillo
HC 33, Box 33500
Ely, Nevada 89301

If you would like to remain on the mailing list for this project, please indicate this in your comments.

Before including address, phone number, email-address, or any other personal identifying information in your comments, be advised that your entire comment, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While individuals may request that the BLM withhold personal identifying information from public view, the BLM cannot guarantee it will be able to do so. If you wish us to withhold your personal information you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, available for public disclosure in their entirety.

For further information concerning the Midway Goldrock well and pipeline project, please contact Stephanie Trujillo at (775) 289-1831, or strujill@blm.gov.

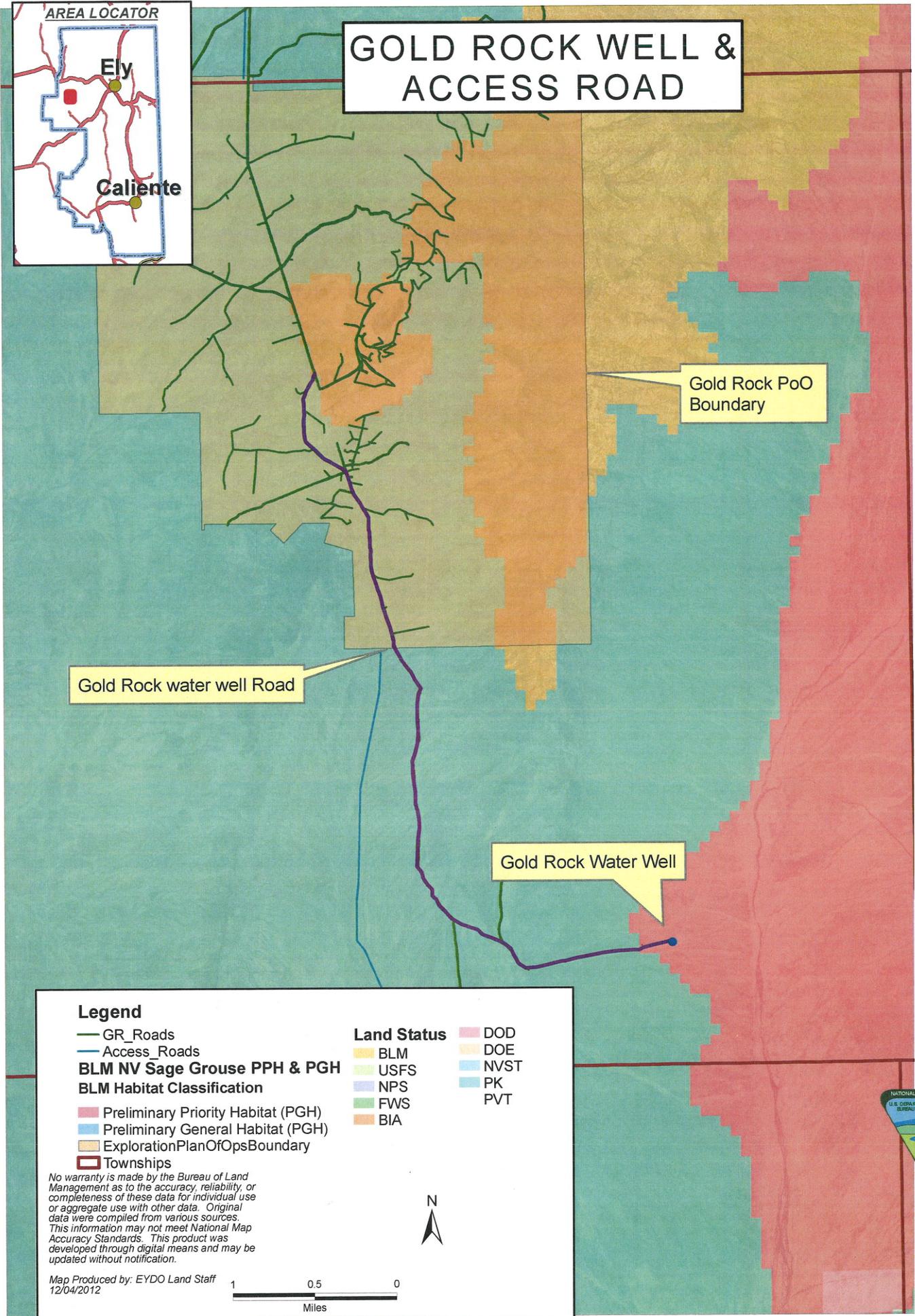
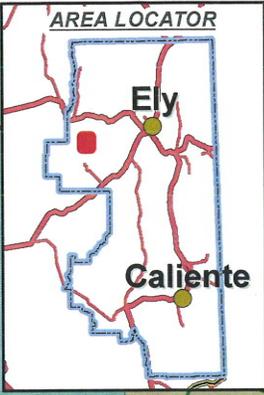
Sincerely,



Jill A. Moore
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Enclosure

GOLD ROCK WELL & ACCESS ROAD



Legend

- GR_Roads
- Access_Roads

BLM NV Sage Grouse PPH & PGH

BLM Habitat Classification

- Preliminary Priority Habitat (PGH)
- Preliminary General Habitat (PGH)
- ExplorationPlanOfOpsBoundary
- Townships

Land Status

- BLM
- USFS
- NPS
- FWS
- BIA
- DOD
- DOE
- NVST
- PK
- PVT

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