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Final Workshop Agenda

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USU – Vernal / UBATC Main Classroom Building
320 N. 2000 W. (Aggie Blvd), Vernal, Utah
Thursday, October 14, 2010

8:00-10:00 Regular quarterly meeting of Uintah Basin Oil & Gas Collaborative Group

10:00-10:30 Break & workshop registration

10:30-11:45 Workshop Welcome and Introduction

- **Welcome** (Rob Behunin, USU/ Bingham Research Center)
- **The Environmentally Friendly Drilling Program** (David Burnett, Texas A&M and Houston Advanced Research Center)
- **Results of USU Research on Opportunities and Obstacles in the Uinta Basin** (Dr. Douglas Jackson-Smith, Utah State University-Logan Campus)

11:45-12:30 Lunch (provided)

12:30-2:00 Session 1: Examples of Industry Environmental Innovation in the Basin

Moderator: John Baza, Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

- **QEP Energy Company's Enhanced Reclamation Project** – Stephanie Tomkinson, Senior Biologist, QEP Company)
- **Anadarko Completion Transport System** (Jeff Dufresne, Completions Manager, Anadarko Corporation)
- **Engaging Environmental Stakeholders to Facilitate Access to Resources** (Duane Zavadil, Bill Barrett Corporation)

2:00-2:15 break

2:15-4:00 Session 2: BMPs, Innovation and Resources from Outside the Basin

Moderator: Gene Theodori, Sam Houston State University

- **Intensive Water Treatment and Reuse Systems from Wyoming** (Anticline Disposal, LLC, a High Sierra Energy Company, presented by Lee Shafer of Integrity Production Services)
- **Solid Waste Management** (Blake Scott, Scott Environmental Services)
- **Decision-Support System for Pad Siting** (Malcolm Williamson, Center for Advanced Spatial Technologies, University of Arkansas)
- **Intermountain Oil and Gas BMP Database and Website Project** (Kathryn Mutz, University of Colorado Natural Resources Law Center)

4:00-4:15 break

4:15-5:45 **Session 3: Regulation & Policy – Friend or Foe?**

Moderator and Discussant: Selma Sierra (USU-Bingham Research Center)

- *Introductory Observations – Douglas Jackson-Smith*
- Uinta County Commission (Mike McKee)
- Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (John Baza)
- Utah Division of Air Quality (Tim Andrus)
- Utah Division of Water Quality (Harry Campbell)
- Ute Tribe (Bruce Pargeets)
- US-Bureau of Indian Affairs (Bucky Secakuku)
- US-Bureau of Land Management (Mike Stiewig)

5:45-6:00 *Closing Comments and Observations (Lowell Braxton/IPAMS)*

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