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**Subject:** Re: COG Operating – Cluster State Com #001H - Work Plan Approval Request - 2RP 3820

BLM has a couple of questions:

1. COG staff: I can find no record of BLM approving installation of this flow line on BLM lands. It appears to me that the line is in trespass. If you have any evidence that BLM actually has approved this flow line, provide it to me by Close of Business on Monday November 28, 2016. Otherwise, I will find COG to be in Trespass and will require COG to shut down this line. In addition to doing the cleanup.
2. Do I understand that this leak is reflected in the C-141 filed August 4, 2016? That C-141 gives the Lat/Long of the well, not the leak site - is that correct?

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On Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 10:11 AM, Tucker, Shelly <[stucker@blm.gov](mailto:stucker@blm.gov)> wrote:  
**The release happened on Federal surface but the associated well is on State surface/State minerals. So, this should be a ROW case.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Shelly,

Please find the enclosed Work Plan for the above reference spill site located in Eddy County, New Mexico. The spill has been assessed and the remedial recommendations are included in the work plan. Once approved, COG will schedule the soil remediation and notify you prior to implementing the work plan. Please let me know if you need additional information or call me if you have any questions.

*Thank you,*

***Clair Gonzales***

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