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**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE WYOMING STATE ENGINEER  
 EXTENSION OF THE TEMPORARY ORDER ADOPTING WELL SPACING REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE  
 LARAMIE COUNTY CONTROL AREA**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:**

Responding to mounting concerns over increasing development and use of groundwater resources in southeast Wyoming, Wyoming State Engineer Patrick T. Tyrrell issued a *Temporary Order Adopting Well Spacing Requirements within the Laramie County Control Area* on April 11, 2012. The Temporary Order establishes well spacing restrictions (horizontally and vertically) as well as use limitations for most new groundwater applications and changes to existing water rights within the Control Area.

Following issuance of the Temporary Order, the Wyoming State Engineer's Office (SEO) embarked on a hydrogeologic study – the results of which will be used to 1) inform future groundwater management decisions – whether through processes instituted by the SEO or by voluntary action, 2) determine the status of appropriable water in the control area, and 3) provide sound and defensible science to support any control measures that might be adopted.

**THE WYOMING STATE ENGINEER HEREBY ORDERS THAT:**

The Temporary Order was initially scheduled to remain in effect until October 1, 2013 unless modified or cancelled at an earlier date by subsequent order of the Wyoming State Engineer. Due to time extensions needed to finish the hydrogeologic analysis and time needed to prepare options for presentation to the Laramie County Control Area for preserving and/or extending the groundwater resources of the area, the State Engineer hereby extends the Temporary Order through March 31, 2014, unless modified or cancelled at an earlier date by subsequent order of the Wyoming State Engineer.

Dated September 16, 2013

Patrick T. Tyrrell  
Wyoming State Engineer

The foregoing instrument was duly recorded in Miscellaneous Records Book 17, Page 25; Surface Water, State Engineers Office.

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