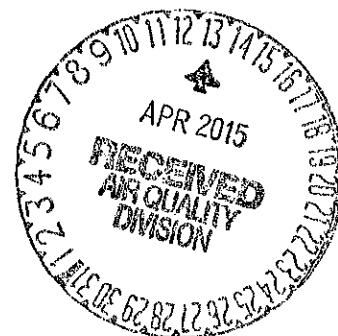


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Air Quality Division
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April 4, 2015

Dear DEQ Air Quality Division,

I support the adoption of the leak detection and repair (LDAR) protocols. It is my understanding that gas field equipment is responsible for a significant amount of leaked natural gas, VOC's, and NOx's. It is also my understanding that by implementing the LDAR protocols we can capture more marketable natural gas and reduce emissions of gases that decrease air quality and contribute to ground level ozone production.

I have watched the air quality in the Upper Green River Basin go from some of the cleanest, highest quality air on the planet (as reported by a DEQ Air Quality Division employee at a public meeting in Lander in 1999) to worse than the air quality in Los Angeles (as reported in the Casper Star Tribune a couple of years ago). Admittedly, the air quality in the Green River Basin seems to have visually improved over the last couple of years since the end of the natural gas boom along with efforts on the part of producers to limit truck traffic and increase remote gathering infrastructure. However, this, in itself, seems to indicate a direct benefit to creating tighter, more robust measures for protecting air quality in the Upper Green River Basin.

I would like to see the air quality in the Upper Green River Basin return to what it was in the late '90's; some of the best on the planet. I believe that adoption of the LDAR will help move us in that direction.

Thank you for your time.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Blair".