



February 13, 2019

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**RE: LONS 84-134, ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. Kuparuk River Unit, DS-3H, Pad Expansion Unit Plan of Operations Amendment Decision.**

Dear Ms. Gonzalez:

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas (Division), in accordance with Alaska Statute 38.05 and Alaska Oil and Gas Leasing Regulations (11 AAC 83) grants authorization to conduct activities on state lands as proposed in the Kuparuk River Unit (KRU) Plan of Operations (Plan) amendment application dated January 16, 2019 for the above referenced project.

**Scope:**

ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc., (CPAI) requests approval to expand the southern portion of DS-3H for safer access for drill rigs and other equipment.

**Plan activities include:**

- Placement of a maximum volume of 3,000 cubic yards of gravel on no more than 0.3 acres of tundra.

**Location information:**

KRU

DS-3H

Meridian: Umiat

Township: 12N

Range: 8E

Section: 12

Lat: 70.410680, Long: -150.014794

ADL(s): 25531

DS-3H is located approximately 11.3 miles northwest from Kuparuk Landing Airstrip.

**Agency review:**

The Division provided a review and comment opportunity for the activities considered for authorization under this decision. The following government entities were notified on January 28, 2019 for comment on the Plan: Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADFG), and DNR: Divisions of Mining, Land & Water

(DMLW) and Oil and Gas (DOG), US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the North Slope Borough (NSB). The comment deadline was 4:30 pm Alaska time on February 11, 2019. No comments were received.

**Conditions/Stipulations:**

1. A certified As-Built survey of the activity shall be provided within one year of placement of the improvement. This As-Built must contain a hard copy, as well as a digital GIS file containing a Shapefile or ESRI Feature Class.

Please attach this amendment approval with the original decision. This unit operations amendment approval is issued in accordance with Alaska Statute 38.05, Alaska Administrative Codes 11 AAC 83.346 and 11 AAC 83.303. The Division reviewed this amendment under the unit regulation for the Plan, 11 AAC 83.346, and considers the factors set forth in 11 AAC 83.303(a) and (b). The amendment was also evaluated against the KRU agreement for conformance.

A person affected by this decision may appeal it, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received within 20 calendar days after issuance of the decision, as defined in 11 AAC 02.040(c) and (d) and may be mailed or delivered to the Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; faxed to 1-907-269-8918, or sent by electronic mail to [dnr.appeals@alaska.gov](mailto:dnr.appeals@alaska.gov). This decision takes effect immediately. If no appeal is filed by the appeal deadline, this decision becomes a final administrative order and decision of the department on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after issuance. An eligible person must first appeal this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to Superior Court. A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional information office of the Department of Natural Resources.

This approval signifies only that the State of Alaska has no objection to the operations outlined in the Plan amendment application. It does not constitute certification of any property right or land status claimed by the applicant nor does it relieve the applicant of responsibility to obtain approvals or permits from other persons or governmental agencies that may also be required. All stipulations contained in the original lease and subsequent Plan approvals remain in full force and effect.

If activities have not commenced, this approval expires on February 13, 2022. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions outlined in the lease, the attached stipulations, and this authorization may result in revocation of this unit operations approval.

Any questions or concerns about this amendment may be directed to Natural Resource Specialist James Hyun at 907-269-8885 or emailed to [james.hyun@alaska.gov](mailto:james.hyun@alaska.gov).

Sincerely,

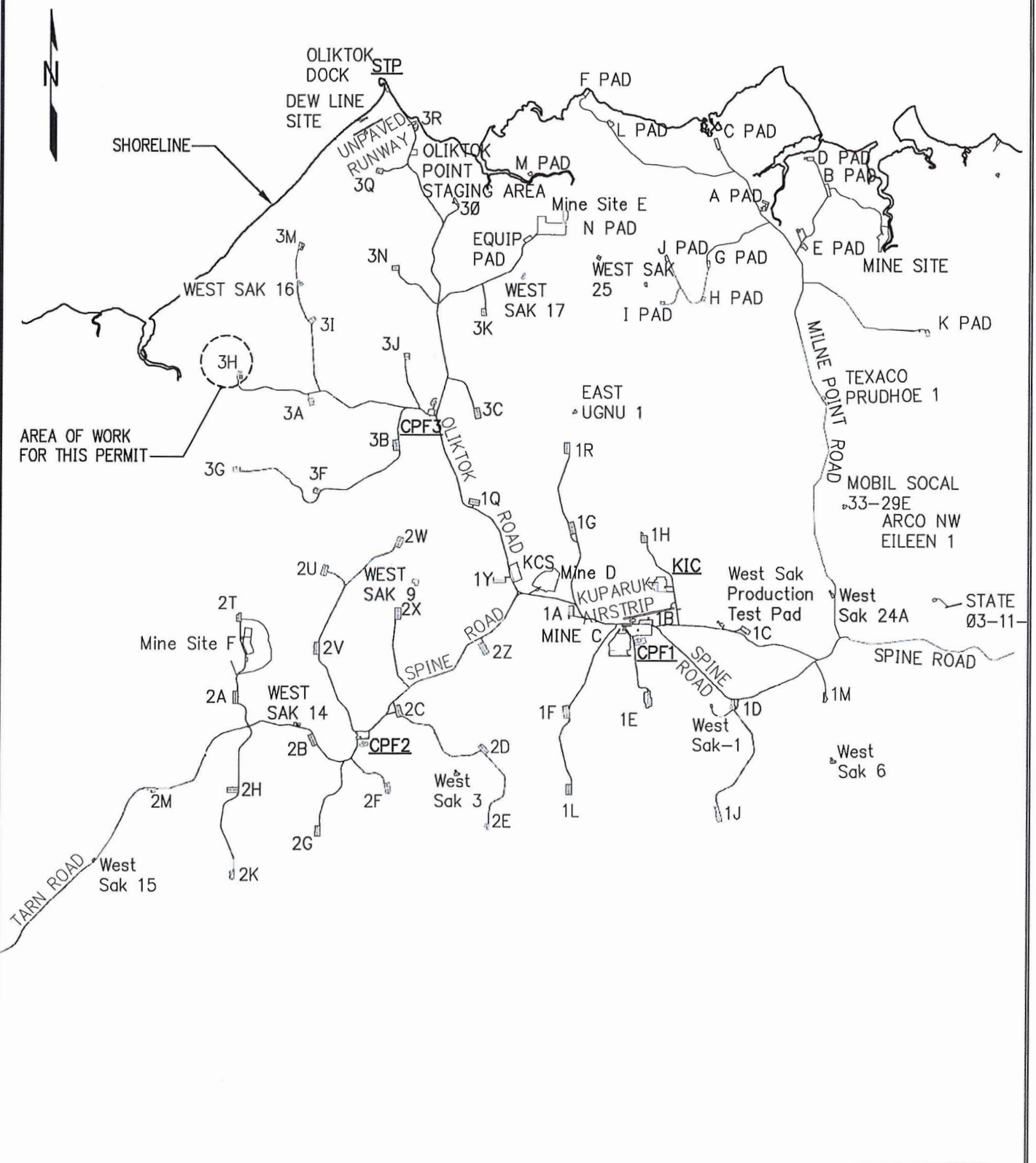


Nathaniel Emery  
Natural Resource Specialist

Attachments: Figure 1-2  
2018 North Slope Mitigation Measures

ecc: DOG: Ken Diemer, Graham Smith, Nathaniel Emery, Paul Blanche, and Mark Henspeter  
DMLW: Melissa Head, Kimberly Maher, Becky Baird, and Henry Brooks  
ADF&G: Jack Winters  
ADEC: Laurie Silfven and [dec.water.oilandgas@alaska.gov](mailto:dec.water.oilandgas@alaska.gov)  
NSB: Jason Bergerson and Josie Kaleak  
Other: USACE

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**ConocoPhillips**  
Alaska, Inc.

AREA: 3H      MODULE: 3HYD      UNIT: D3  
KUPARUK VICINITY MAP  
DRILLSITE 3H  
GRAVEL PERMITTING

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Figure 1

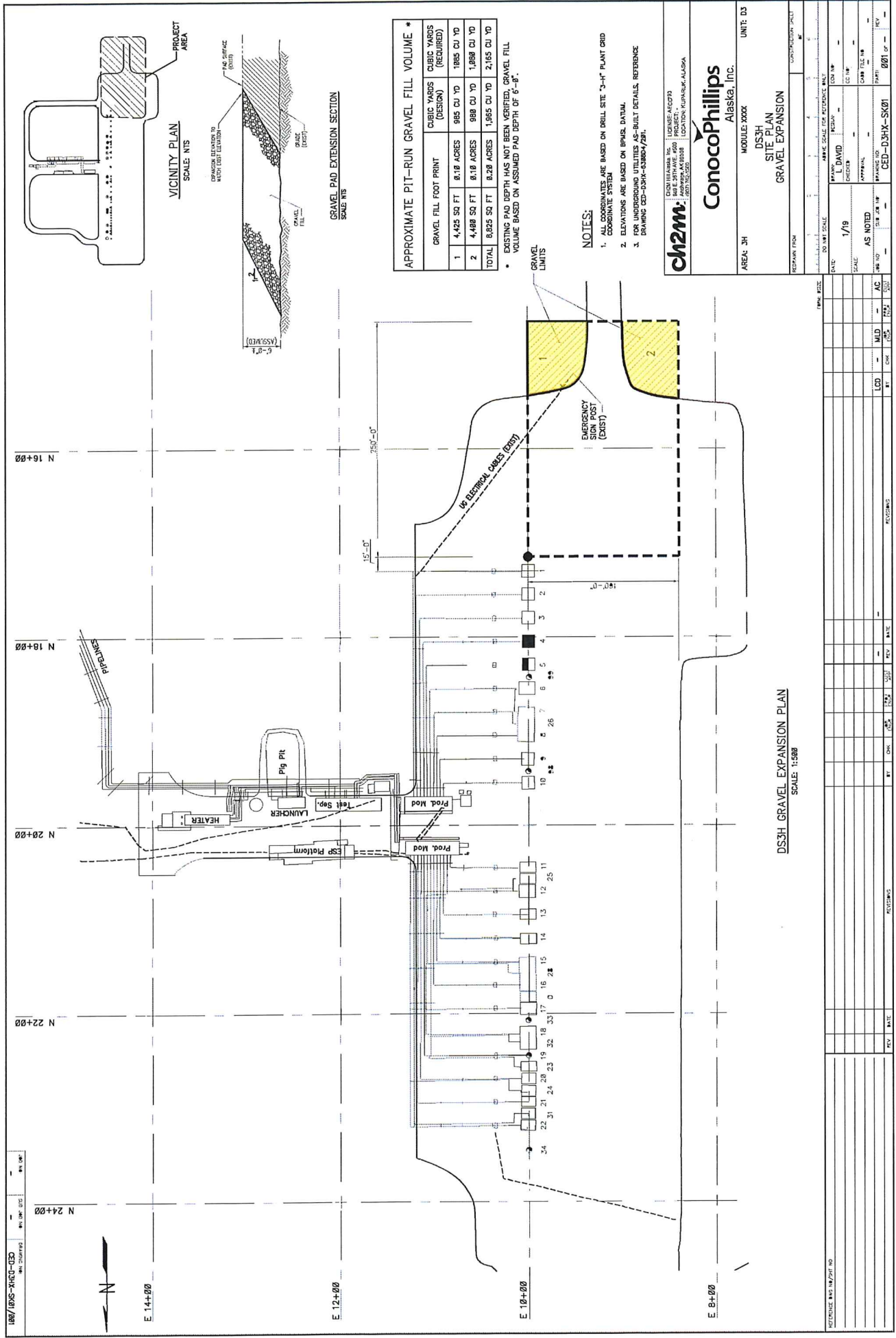


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