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Comments: The disturbed land acreages presented and highlighted in the Scoping Letter attached appear to be extremely low and disingenuous at best.

* Drill Site which mentions covers the pad, several vehicles and other site support features promises to be a maximum of 2500 SF - that is ridiculous when a large pickup truck has a turning radius circle area that exceeds 2500 SF, and you will be parking and shuffling vehicles around that? a much larger area will be cleared.

* 39 sites, 12 ft access roads and a maximum of 5500 LF - that makes less than 150 feet of driveway turn off an existing road per site. Unrealistic.

* "These temporary overland routes would be obliterated and returned to natural conditions after project completion" This statement has no technical basis. "obliterated" what does that mean in the context of restoration? "returned to natural conditions" again what does that mean in terms of restoration? will they be reclaimed ? re-vegetated, watered and brought back with native plants?

This exploration project will disturb much more acreage than presented here. The disturbances will impact wild life . And the scar on the land will be long lasting. The acreage should be re-calculated for worst case scenario rather than unrealistic estimates which do not even have the barest proper assumptions. Those adjusted calculations should feed the Environmental Reviews.