



Community Disturbance

Mist Mountain Coalbed Gas Project

Our Commitment

We respect the quality of life and recreational pursuits of residents in the project area and are committed to being a good neighbour. We will maintain ongoing communication about our activities and plans. We will design our project to minimize disturbance, incorporating feedback from our discussions with communities and recreational users of the proposed project area, as well as our Environmental and Social Impact Assessment.

Accommodation

Appraisal and Design Stage

We propose to house construction and drilling crews in local motels and small, on-site camps during the three to five years of appraisal activities. We anticipate less than 50 people will be accessing community facilities in Sparwood and Fernie on a regular basis during this stage.

Development Stage

Full-field commercial development, should it proceed, would require a larger construction crew. Prior to development, we will evaluate options for housing these temporary employees with input from residents, businesses and local government.

Operating positions represent long-term permanent jobs. BP will encourage local hiring and residency for our employees. The activities of our suppliers and contractors will generate long-term employment opportunities for local people as well. These opportunities could also draw permanent residents to the region.

Traffic

We will have a traffic management plan in place during all phases and will coordinate major equipment movements with local officials to prevent congestion and hazards.

Dust

We will cooperate with other rights-holders to implement appropriate dust control measures, such as water spraying for construction dust.

Noise

We will develop strategies to address potential noise from construction activities and site operations, such as the use of noise suppression materials in pumping or compressor stations.



Lighting

We will identify potential light pollution from our activities and design our facilities to minimize light disturbance.

Visual Impact Management

We will undertake a landscape and visual impact assessment and design our facilities to conserve the recreational value and natural beauty of the project area.



BP San Juan Basin coalbed gas compressor in Colorado

The Mist Mountain Coalbed Gas Project is a proposal by BP Canada Energy Company (BP) to assess whether natural gas in BC's Crowsnest Coalfield can be produced in a safe, economic and environmentally responsible manner. Our proposal includes up to five years of environmental studies, technical research and consultation prior to a decision on commercial development.

