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**Subject:** Scoping for Federal Well Development

**To:** Interested Party:

I am writing to invite you to provide comments on projects being proposed on the Ironton District of the Wayne National Forest. Maps of the project areas are enclosed.

**Development of federal minerals** – EOG Resources is proposing to develop six wells on National Forest land in Aid Township of Lawrence County, T4N, R17W, in Sections 1 and 2 (BLM Lease: OH ES 43058); and in Sections 27 and 28 (BLM Lease: OH ES 27069). These mineral estates have been leased previously and the leaseholder is now exercising his rights by developing these wells.

The proposed sites for the well pads are 100' by 150' and, during the drilling operation, will contain equipment such as water tanks, supplies including trailer loads of well casing, and a drill rig. Permanent fixtures include brine tanks, separators, and meter runs. Access roads and connecting collection pipelines will accompany development of the wells. Some trees will be removed for both the drill pad and the access road. Amendment 8 of the Wayne National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan requires that each new well proposed on federal minerals be subject to an environmental analysis.

Please make your comments specifically to these proposed actions. To ensure that I have an opportunity to consider your concerns, please submit written comments to me at the above address by March 15, 2003. You may also call to discuss these projects (see number above) or submit comments electronically. A copy of this scoping notice and maps are available on the Wayne National Forest website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne>.

Thank you for your interest in the Wayne National Forest.

*/s/ Mike Freidhof*

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Enclosures

