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POLICY

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Use of Misters on State Trust Lands

The Office of State Lands and Investments (OSLI) may allow the use of misters on State Trust Lands on a case by case basis. The use of misters can only be for the purpose of aiding in the evaporation of produced water from oil and gas production activities. OS LI shall only consider the use of a mister if the water impoundment structure it is to be placed upon is fully permitted and bonded, and the company requesting approval is compliant with all aspects and dealings within OS LI. OS LI shall use the following criteria to determine whether it is appropriate to allow the use of misters:

1. Mister(s) shall be secured in the center of a reservoir or pit in order for the mist produced to have little chance of reaching the shore.
2. Any area affected by the use of a mister shall be fenced to reduce the impacts of possible ice forming and causing detrimental effects to wildlife and livestock.
3. Any area affected by the use of a mister shall be subject to periodic inspections by OS LI to ensure the criteria noted within this policy and others are adhered to.
4. The company employing the use of misters shall submit an annual report to OS LI detailing any occurrence of erosion, riling, salt deposition or any other impacts to vegetation.
 - a. The report shall include, but is not limited to, photo monitoring throughout each year a mister is used showing all angles of the mister while in use and the surrounding area.

OS LI may require removal of the mister(s) at any time should it deem that resource damage is occurring as a result of use of a mister, or if the use of misters presents a safety concern.

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