

APPENDIX A: SPECIES SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

These reasonable recommendations are derived from the best available science and represent preferred management actions to protect wildlife and wildlife habitats where oil and gas development is occurring.

KIT FOX

- Survey for kit fox den sites in appropriate habitats before development and avoid surface disturbance within 0.25 mile of den sites while young are den dependent (Feb 1 to May 1).
- Gate single-purpose roads and restrict general public access to reduce traffic disruptions to wildlife.
- Close and immediately reclaim all roads that are redundant, not used regularly, or have been abandoned to the maximum extent possible to minimize disturbance and habitat fragmentation.
- Establish company guidelines to minimize wildlife mortality from vehicle collisions on roads.
- Utilize native vegetation for reclamation within kit fox overall range.
- Restrict use of pesticides for rodent control in kit fox overall range to prevent reduction of kit fox food supplies and secondary toxicity.
- Limit or restrict artificial water sources within kit fox overall range to prevent the spread of competitive predators into kit fox habitat.