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To: [Weiland, April](#); [Keller, Joel](#); [Caliguri, Jason](#); [McDermott, David](#)
Subject: Fw: [External] RE: LPR Response
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From: McGovern, Sean M. <SMcGovern@babstcalland.com>
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To: Smith, Forrest <forsmith@pa.gov>
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Thanks, Forrest. I took your email from Tuesday and added LPR's responses below in red font:

Sean –

We took a look at both the recently submitted PMG Baird and I discussed with my clients the proposal on Humberston to drill out 4820'.

On PMG Baird, I think because of back-and-forth with Justin, Jeff took out the paragraph from the AM on venting. It should've just been removing the venting language instead of the whole paragraph. *LPR concurs, Forrest, but would note that Justin asked for all of the language to be removed and only wanted language regarding the installation of the CIBP.* DEP is ok with LPR not having to resubmit as long as we can confirm that:

The new procedure proposes to drill out cement in the well to 2,000 feet, set a cement plug to 1700', install the previously mentioned CIBP and cement from 1700' to surface utilizing Class A cement or other Department approved cement types in order to comply with 78a.91(h) and [section] 3220(a) to stop the vertical flow of fluids or gas within the well bore. LPR confirms the wording for the procedure is correct.

This comes directly from the April 20, 2026 draft PMG Baird AM that LPR had provided. Could you also confirm whether LPR intends to check for any gas flows prior to setting the CIBP to make sure the plug is effective? *Yes, LPR intends to check prior to setting the CIBP.*

On Humberston – the Department appreciates LPR's willingness to go to the deeper depth of 4820'. *LPR appreciates the Department's response.*

Our client will be providing the submittals for Humberston ASAP, so please advise your client to be on the lookout for it.

Please let me know if the Department has any further questions.

Have a good holiday weekend.

Sean

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From: Smith, Forrest <forsmith@pa.gov>
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Let me know,

Thanks,

Forrest

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