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West Slope Colorado Oil & Gas Association Praises Jordan Cove Announcement Works to Align Association Members with Jordan Cove LNG Customers

Western Colorado, April 8, 2016 – Western Slope Colorado Oil & Gas Association (WSCOGA) praised the announcement from Jordan Cove LNG that the only viable west coast export project inked yet another major natural gas customer. The latest Jordan Cove customer announcement follows a recent FERC decision denying Jordan Cove LNG. The denial occurred despite FERC's own staff approval of the project on an environmental basis. In the decision FERC cited a lack of customer interest or "market need" as a reason for the permit denial.

David Ludlam, WSCOGA's Executive Director noted in response to the announcement that, "Good news just keeps raining in from the Pacific Northwest. Piceance Basin Producers are reaching out to Jordan Cove customers before the ink dries exploring the possibility of long-term supply agreements." Robert Boswell, CEO of Piceance Basin Producer Laramie Energy is among the companies who has already personally visited Japan. "The Piceance Basin has many attributes that no other basin in the country can offer. Carrying this message to Tokyo last October alongside Governor John Hickenlooper continues paying dividends. There is a real awareness overseas of what this basin has to offer when Jordan Cove acquires final approval."

Leaders from Western Colorado's Piceance and Sandwash Basins traveled to Calgary in 2015 on a trade mission that included promoting Jordan Cove LNG. The Western Colorado delegation included local governments, business development organizations and business leaders promoting the project known as Piceance to the Pacific Rim. The white paper, commissioned by the Colorado Mesa University Unconventional Energy Center and the Grand Junction Economic Partnership, revealed Jordan Cove LNG as the most important project for Colorado and the Piceance Basin due to the fact that pipelines connecting Oregon and Colorado already exist. "The Piceance Basin has pipeline, processing and transportation advantages over just about everyone else in the Rockies. The new Jordan Cove announcement just puts a brighter global spotlight on what Western Colorado has to offer our friends overseas," said Quint Shear, the association's President.

Dan Haley, President and CEO of the Colorado Oil & Gas Association confirmed "Colorado's bipartisan elected support team couldn't be more strong and united around the most important energy infrastructure project west of the Continental Divide. From Senators Michael Bennet and Cory Gardner to Governor Hickenlooper, Congressman Scott Tipton and State Senator Ray Scott, the Centennial State is committed to working with FERC to integrate Colorado into the international market place through Jordan Cove LNG."

WSCOGA highlights the fact that the majority of natural gas producers in the Piceance Basin provided letters of support in April to the FERC communicating interest in both the Pacific Connector pipeline and Jordan Cove LNG terminal. The Project Manager for Jordan Cove LNG and Pacific Connector will visit the Piceance Basin in April supporting a public information tour titled, from *Colorado to the Cove*.



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