

BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 535  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA ) DOCKET NO. 1407-AW-19  
FORMATIONS, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD )  
COUNTY, COLORADO )

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 1: All  
Section 12: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 2: All  
Section 11: N½

Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 3: All  
Section 10: N½

APPLICATION

On May 29, 2014, Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation (“Whiting” or “Applicant”) filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Modify Order Nos. 535-314 and 535-471 as they apply to Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, and 12, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. to include the Codell Formation.
- 2) Approve up to 32 horizontal wells within an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-178 for the Codell and Niobrara Formations; and
- 3) Require the productive interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 100 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 100 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the Codell and Niobrara Formations located in the unit.
- 4) Applicant requests that the proposed wells producing from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, be located on a common or existing wellpad or from no more than eight wellpads within the unit.

PRIOR RULES AND ORDERS

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under “ORDERS”)

- Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in

depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The Application Lands are subject to this rule for the Codell Formation.

- On March 5, 2012, Order No. 535-150 established three approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units and approved up to four horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 2 and the N½ of Section 11, Township 10 North, 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 9, 2012, Order No. 535-179 established six approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units and approved four horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 1 and the N½ of Section 12, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On October 1, 2012, Order No. 535-204 approved up to four horizontal wells within each of six approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 3 and the N½ of Section 10, Township 10 North, 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On March 25, 2013, Order No. 535-296 approved up to a total of eight horizontal wells within each of 21 approximate 640 to 960-acre drilling and spacing units, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara Formation, and no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary. Sections 1, 2 and the N½ of Sections 11 and 12, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On May 6, 2013, Order No. 535-314 approved up to a total of 16 horizontal wells within each of 21 approximate 640 to 960-acre drilling and spacing units, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara formation, and no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary. Sections 1, 2 and the N½ of Sections 11 and 12, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 27, 2014, Order No. 535-464 pooled all interests within an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 2 and 11, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., to accommodate the drilling of the Razor 11-0241H Well (API No. 05-123-36057), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 27, 2014, Order No. 535-465 pooled all interests within an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 1 and 12, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., to accommodate the drilling of the Razor 12-0141H

Well (API No. 05-123-36052), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.

- On April 28, 2014, Order No. 535-471 approved up to a total of 16 horizontal wells within each of five approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing units, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbore to be no closer than 200 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara formation, and no closer than 100 feet from a unit boundary. Section 3 and the N½ of Section 10, Township 10 North, Range 58 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to: 1) the general jurisdiction granted to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado under §34-60-105 C.R.S.; 2) specific powers granted pursuant to §34-60-106 C.R.S.; 3) the State Administrative Procedures Act at §24-4-105 C.R.S.; and 4) the Commission's Series 500 Rules at 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled the above-entitled matter for hearing on:

Date: Monday, July 28, 2014  
Tuesday, July 29, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Weld County Administration Building  
Events Center  
1150 "O" Street  
Greeley, CO 80631

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. **Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than July 14, 2014.** Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. One electronic (cogcc.hearings\_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies shall be filed with the Commission. **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of July 14, 2014.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By   
for Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: July 1, 2014

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