

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION) CAUSE NO. 535
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO)
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA) DOCKET NO. 1410-SP-2138
AND CODELL FORMATIONS, UNNAMED)
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.

Section 8: S½

Section 17: All

APPLICATION

On August 28, 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) Vacate an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-42 for Section 17, Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M.;
- 2) Establish an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations;
- 3) Approve up to 32 horizontal wells within the unit;
- 4) 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 located in the unit; and
- 5) Applicant requests that the wells are drilled from no more than eight well pads within the unit.

APPLICABLE 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 Rule 318.a for the Codell Formation.

- On June 27, 2011, Order No. 535-42 established eight approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and approved one horizontal well within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Sections 8 and 17, Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On April 28, 2014, Order No. 535-481 vacated two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units established by Order No. 535-42, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.. Section 8, Township 9 North, Range 57 West, 6th P.M. is 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, October 27, 2014
 Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Durango Public Library
 1900 E. 3rd Avenue
 Durango, CO 81301

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 October 13, 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 October 13, 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 _____
 Robert J. Frick, Secretary

Dated: September 19, 2014

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