

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION ) CAUSE NO. 531  
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO )  
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA ) DOCKET NO. 160700282  
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, JACKSON )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: EXCEPTION LOCATION

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 7 North, Range 80 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 9: All

APPLICATION

On May 19, 2016, SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC, Operator No. 10598 ("SandRidge" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116(4), C.R.S., for an order to:

1) Modify the setbacks in Order No. 531-18 to provide that the productive intervals of any wellbore shall be no closer than 100 feet from the northern and southern boundaries of the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 531-2 for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; and

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

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

- On July 15, 2008, the Commission entered Order No. 531-2, which extended the provisions of Order No. 531-1, which established various drilling and spacing units for the drilling and completion of one horizontal well, with the option to drill a second horizontal well in each of the drilling and spacing units, with the permitted wells to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundary, for certain lands in Townships 6 and 7 North, Range 80 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- On May 18, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 531-18 which, among other things, modified Order No. 531-2 to allow the productive interval of any horizontal well to be no closer than 300 feet from the DSU boundary for the production of the oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and modified Order No. 531-2 to allow the productive interval of any horizontal well to be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well producing from the Niobrara Formation and approved up to four horizontal wells within each 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 531-2, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

- On June 6, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 531- XXX, which, among other things, approved up to four additional horizontal wells, for a total of eight horizontal wells, for the drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 531-2 for the Application Lands.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §§ 34-60-101 to -130, C.R.S. and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: July 18-20, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place for July 18: Colorado Mountain College  
1402 Blake Avenue  
Senior Center Room  
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Place for July 19-20: Glenwood Springs Community Center  
102 Wulfson Road  
Sopris Rooms A & B  
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Additional information about the hearing on this Application will be in the Commission's Agenda, which is posted on the Commission website approximately 3 days before the hearing.

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 1, 2016.** 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 4, 2016.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

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By *Peter J. Gowen*  
for Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: June 9, 2016

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