

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 NIOBRARA FORMATION, ) DOCKET NO. 170100040  
UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE COUNTY, )  
COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 28: All

APPLICATION

On December 1, 2016, ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) ("Conoco" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Pool all interests in the Application Lands underlying an approximate 640-acre Drilling and Spacing Unit comprising the Application Lands.
- 2) Subject any non-consenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S. are first incurred for the drilling of the Little Rush 4-65 28 1V to the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under "Regulation," then select "Orders" or "Rules")

- On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-97 which, among other things, established 25 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, with surface locations being located anywhere within the unit or surrounding lands but the lateral of such well may not enter the Niobrara Formation any closer than 300 feet from the section line, with the treated interval of the permitted wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the boundary of the unit and no closer than 920 feet from the treated interval of any other well in the unit producing from the Niobrara, without exception being granted by the Director.
- On December 12, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 535-755 which, among other things, modified Order No. 535-97 to allow for one vertical well in the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and provided that the treated interval of the vertical well shall be no closer

than 460 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, unless the Director grants an exception.

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:

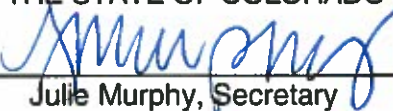
Dates: January 30-31, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

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 January 13, 2017.** 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 January 16, 2017.** 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  \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: December 14, 2016

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