

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND) CAUSE NO. 547
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)
OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA FORMATION,) DOCKET NO. 170100046
UNNAMED FIELD, RIO BLANCO COUNTY,)
COLORADO) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS:

Township 2 North, Range 97 West, 6th P.M.

Section 27: All

Section 34: All

APPLICATION

On December 1, 2016, Anschutz Exploration Corporation (Operator No. 3102) ("Anschutz" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to § 34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit comprised of the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation;
- 2) Approve the drilling, completion and operation of up to four horizontal wells in the drilling and spacing unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation;
- 3) Provide that the productive interval for any of the Niobrara Formation horizontal wells in the drilling and spacing unit be located no closer than 1,200 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore drilled to the Niobrara Formation located within the unit, without the Director granting an exception;
- 4) Provide that the productive interval for any of the horizontal wells in the drilling and spacing unit so established be located no closer than 600 feet from the boundary of the same, absent exception being granted by the Director or variance being granted by the Commission; and
- 5) Applicant states that the wells shall be drilled from no more than two multi-well pads.

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

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

- Commission Rule 318.a provides that for any wells drilled to a depth greater than 2,500':
(i) interwell setbacks shall be set at 1,200' and (ii) drilling and spacing unit boundary line setbacks shall be set at 600'.

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:

Date: January 30-31, 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln St., 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.

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

Dated: December 20, 2016

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