

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND) CAUSE NO. 407
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)
OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA) DOCKET NO. 170300110
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 North, Range 67 West, 6th P.M.

Section 2: S½

Section 3: S½

APPLICATION

On or before January 19, 2017, Great Western Operating Company, LLC ("Great Western" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order:

1) Approving up to twelve (12) wells in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 407-1778 the Application Lands.

2) Providing that the surface locations for the additional wells shall be located on no more than one pad location within the unit or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

3) Providing that the treated interval of the wellbores shall be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.

4) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On February 19, 1992, the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 (amended August 20, 1993) which, among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and

Niobrara Formations, with permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On August 29, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1778 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit and approved up to ten (10) horizontal wells within the unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations on the Application Lands, providing that the productive interval of the wellbore shall be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director, and further providing that the proposed wells shall be located on no more than one well pad within the drilling and spacing unit, subject to Rule 318A, unless the Director grants and 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:

Date: March 20-21, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: The Larimer County Conference Center at The Ranch
First National Bank Building
5280 Arena Circle
Loveland, CO 80538

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 March 6, 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 March 6, 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: February 7, 2017

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