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

IN THE MAT	TER OF T	HE PROMULO	SATION AND	)	CAUSE NO. 407
ESTABLISHN	MENT OF F	TELD RULES	TO GOVERN	)	
<b>OPERATION</b>	S FOR THE	E NIOBRARA I	FORMATION,	)	DOCKET NO. 170300112
WILDCAT	FIELD,	ARAPAHOE	COUNTY,	)	
COLORADO				j	TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

## NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

#### **APPLICATION LANDS**

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 34: All, less a 1.9-acre tract (containing 638.1 acres)

Section 35: All

# <u>APPLICATION</u>

On or before January 19, 2017, ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) ("COPC" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Allow up to six wells in order to efficiently and economically recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation in an approximate 1,278.1-acre drilling and spacing unit established by a pending Order No. 535-766 for Sections 34 and 35, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.
- 2) Providing that the surface locations for the additional wells shall be located on no more than two pad locations 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: <a href="http://cogcc.state.co.us">http://cogcc.state.co.us</a>, under "Regulation," then select "Orders" or "Rules")

 On October 24, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 535-740 which, among other things, established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and approved up to two horizontal wells within the drilling and spacing unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the productive interval of the wellbore of each well to 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 located in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

• On January 30, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-766 which modified Order No. 535-740 to allow for an approximate 1,278.1-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and allowing up to three (3) horizontal wells in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from of the Niobrara Formation in the unit, providing that the treated interval any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and authorizing up to three (3) well pads in the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director. Order 535-766 further provides that Conoco shall submit a Communitization Agreement (CA) to the BLM for any existing wells within 60 days of the entry of the Order, and ConocoPhillips shall submit a CA to the BLM at least 90 days before the anticipated date of first production (as defined in the COGCC Rules) from the initial well drilled within the drilling and spacing unit.

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:

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.

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By Muy My Julie Murphy, Secretary

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